

Yeltsin Wins Pact **On Unity Of Russia** 18 of 20 Regions

Wrest Concessions **As Signing Price**

By Fred Hiatt

Washington Past Service MOSCOW -- President Boris N. Yeltsin, seeking to insulate Russia from the process of disintegration that destroyed the Soviet Union, signed a treaty of federation Tues-day with 18 of the 20 semiautonomous regions of his vast nation. Mr. Yeltsin heralded the treaty as vital for Russia's future and ordered a fireworks display in Mos-cow to celebrate its signing. Leaders of the ethnic regions, many of which are wealthy in oil, diamonds

Moscow's stake in the IMF is set at 3 percent. Page 6.

and other resources, pledged to re-main within Russia in exchange for more sovereignty and a greater share of their mineral wealth.

"A united Russia was, is and will be," Mr. Yeltsin said after signing the accord in one of the Kremlin's most ornate halls. The course of Russian history will not be broken."

Backers of the accord said it would finally put a brake on the process of dissolution that has seen 15 new nations, from Estonia to Kyrgyzstan, emerge from the Sovi-et Union. But some observers, remembering the many treaties that were signed or initialed and then ignored as the Soviet Union splintered last year, reacted with some caution to the achievement.

A television commentator, Yuri Rostov, noting that many regions signed with reservations or conditions, said that the treaty was in-tended to prevent "or slow" Russia's disintegration, and could only be seen at this stage as a symbol of Rassia's desire to remain whole.

Sergei Shakhrai, a Yeltsin adviser who offered his resignation for apparently unrelated reasons Tuesday, agreed that various regions' bjections, and what he regarded as meant that "in practice everyone will be guided by his own text, and people will suffer as a result." The treaty gives each region the right to "independently partici-pate" in foreign relations and forcign economic ties, to govern itself based on its own constitution and laws and to choose its own anthem, flag and state symbol.



King Juan Carlos I of Spain, wearing yarmplike, and Queen Sofia during the ceremony Tuesday.

Spain Reconciles With Jews After 500 Years, 'a Painful Cycle in History' Is Closed

By Alan Riding New York Times Service

MADRID - In a poignant ceremony marking the 500th anniversary of the expulsion of the Jews from Spain, President Chaim Herzog of Israel and King Juan Carlos I of Spain prayed together in the synagogue of Madrid on Tuesday in a gesture symbolizing the reconciliation of their two peo-

For Mr. Herzog, it was an occasion that "closes one more of the many painful cycles in the history of our people." And he added: "We cannot change the past, But we can learn its lessons and thus

nand and Queen Isabella in Granada on March 31, 1492, ordered "the departure of all Jews from our kingdoms with instructions that they should never return." Facing death if they stayed beyond July 31 that year, between 100,000 and 200,000 Jews

Their abrupt departure ended a Jewish presence in Spain that dated back to at least the third century and had included periods of great prosper-ity and influence. "For those Jews, Spain was not an entile or a diaspora," said David Grebler, president of the National Jewish Commission Sepharad 92. "Spain was their country."

UN Votes Sanctions on Libya; **China and 4 Others Abstain**

itself definitively" to renouncing terrorism but

also "demonstrate its renunciation of terror-

If Libya fails to meet the April 15 deadline.

all countries must sever air links with Tripoli,

close its airline affices and stop servicing its

aircraft or selling it more planes and spare

The sale of all armaments to Libya will also

And governments must reduce the size of

ism" by unspecified "concrete actions."

be banned

By Paul Lewis New York Times Service

UNITED NATIONS, New York - By a relatively narrow vote, the United Nations Se-curity Council has given Libya until April 15 to surrender two Libyans accused of blowing up Pan Am flight 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland, in 1988 and to cooperate with an investigation into the destruction of a French airliner over

West Africa the following year. If Libya does not comply by this date its air links with the rest of the world will be cut off and it will suffer a variety of other economic and political sanctions, including an arms em-

The vote in the 15-nation council was 10 members in favor and none against, one more than the minimum of nine needed to approve a resolution.

But five members, or a third of the membership, abstained, all of them saying they favored delaying an ultimatum to Libya to allow more

time for a negotiated settlement. The abstainers were China, a permanent member that could have vetoed the decision, as well as Morocco, the council's only Arah member, and India, Cape Verde and Zimbahwe.

The council's two Latin American members, Venezuela and Ecuador, voted in favor, along with the United States, Britain, France, Russia Japan, Austria, Hungary and Belgium.

The resolution, which obtained a smaller margin of support than any of those dealing with Iraq during the Gulf crisis, was adopted despite pleas from the Arab League, the Orga-nization of Islamic States and the Maghreh Union of North African countries for delay and warnings by these bodies that sanctions against Libya risk arousing politically destabilizing passions throughout the Arab world.

But all council members emphasized that Libya still had two weeks left in which to comply with their demand that it hand over the suspects in the Pan Am 103 disaster to Britain or the United States for trial and send four other Libyans before a French judge investigat-ing the downing of UTA's Flight 772 over

A total of 441 people from 30 countries died in the two catastrophes.

In addition, Libya must not only "commit

Don Emmert Agence France Press The U.S. ambassador to the UN, Thomas R. Pickering, top right, with the British ambassador, Sir David Hannay, to his right, as the Security Council debated on Tuesday,

Mounting Concern in Clinton Campaign

simistic.

By Thomas B. Edsall

Washington Post Service NEW YORK - Facing strong evidence that questions about his character have put him at risk in next Tuesday's important New York primary, Bill Chinton has

Tuesday when he said. "There's a buying a holf-hour of television among city voters the figure shot little rule in politics — you never time in New York to let him answer debate a challenger until you're a questions directly from voters, a loser. That's the category he's in tactic he used successfully in the

Responding to Mr. Clinton's Clinton sees a high-level post for

Brown said, "Things are looking

Mr. Clinton explained his cam-

paign shift by saying that the voters

have heard only "bad stuff dumped

on them about me." Since, he said.

in addition to the debates, Mr.

final week of the New Hampshire a nauonal Washington Post-ABC poll conducted about two weeks primary campaign in February. "There is a limit to how much time I have." Mr. Clinton said, ago. That poll found that a plurality of voters. 46 percent did not

sounding uncharacterisucally pes

The cumulative effects of allega-

tions about his marriage, draft sta-

tus and business dealings were un-

derscored in a poll released Sunday

night hy WABC-TV in New York.

the "honesty and integrity" to be president, the poll of 700 voters found that 57 percent said "no"

while only 29 percent said "yes."

Even among Democrats. 51 per-

cent said he did not have the requi-

site honesty and integrity, and

Asked whether Mr. Clinton has

up to 62 percent. The survey results indicated greater damage to Mr. Clinton than

believe that Mr. Clinton had

while 41 percent said he did.

enough honesty and integrity,

As part of a new strategy, de-

vised hy his senior staff members

on Monday, Mr. Clinton will try to schedule other events besides de-bates that will make him appear

open to inquiry from voters, and

launch new televisinn ads designed

to give positive information about

his hackground and record as gov-

"He's got to give a more com-

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Libvan embassies and restrict the movement of

to be reviewed by the council at least every four

months. And it says countries suffering eco-

nomic hardship as a result of them, such as

neighboring Egypt and Tunisia, which fear Lib-ya might expel their nationals working there,

may appeal to the council for compensation.

The U.S. representative. Thomas R. Picker-

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The resolution provides for these sanctions

Libvan diplomats.

Sergei B. Stankevich, another Kreulin adviser involved in the

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has been stripped bare and left to wither.

looted or wrecked by a hungry, frustrated populace.

feed their children only on alternate days.

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The Chaos in Zaire:

Nothing's Working

By Keith B. Richburg Washington Past Service KINSHASA, Zaire — There's not much left of the General Motors

assembly plant here. Last fall, three waves of looters picked it clean.

The first wave, a Zairian military unit based at the nearby airport, stole

nent and everything else that wasn't welded down. There wasn't

all the plant's vehicles. A second wave of noters took all the assembly-line

much left for the third wave of looters, so they took the walls and the roof.

the route into Kinshasa from the airport, stands as a compelling meta-

phor for the hoffow shell that is now Zaire's economy. Potentially one of

the richest countries in Africa - a country with enough arable land and

hydroelectric potential to feed and power the entire continent - Zaire

It is difficult to exaggerate the extent of the economic crisis here, a crisis brought on over years by mismanagement, neglect and monumental

official corruption. Diplomats and other observers attribute the chaos

largely to the policies of one man, President Mobutu Sese Seko, and to

Mr. Mobutu's foreign backers and aid donors who overlooked his

excesses because he was seen as a valuable Western ally on an unstable

The crisis was made worse by noting in September that was touched off by army troops who had not been paid in months. The riots sparked a

mass crodus of the country's expatriate community - a vital cog in the

economy --- and forced the closing of countless businesses that were then

In the capital now, the cost of food is out of reach of most Zairians, so

many eat just one meal a day. In large families, some parents can afford to

Western and workers say they were seeing an increase in malnutrition

People are not quite starving because they can fill up on widely

available cassava root, a starchy staple here in trying times. But while

filling cassava has little nutritional value, and the plumpness of some

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cases, particularly among children, almost ensuring inadequate develop-

The devastated plant, part of a row of newly abandoned factories on

For the king, it was a chance both to pay bomage to the exiled Sephardic Jewish communities that over the centuries never forgot their Spanish roots and to tell Spanish Jews that Sepharad — the Rebrew name for Spain — is "no longer a nostal-gia" because it is once again their own home.

"It may seem odd to choose the anniversary of a separation for a meeting of such profound significance," said Juan Carlos, who wore a yarmulke and was accompanied by Queen Sofia. "But the history of all peoples and, without doubt, that of Spain, is full of lights and shadows."

The edict of expulsion signed by King Ferdi-

shed events that took place in 1492 and are being marked by this year's quincentennial. On Jan. 2. 1492, the fall of Granada ended eight centuries of Arab presence and completed the unification of Spain. On Oct. 12, 1492, Christopher Columbus discovered the New World, founding a vast Spanish empire in the Americas.

The religious ceremony in the Beth Yaacov Synagogue of Madrid, accompanied by prayers and psalms, was the principal event of Sepharad 92, an international program of publications, lectures, exhibitions, concerts and movies to com-

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changed strategy, suddenly step-ping up debates with his remaining his wife if he is elected. Page 3 opponent for the Democratic challenge to add more debates, Mr. nomination.

The Arkansas governor said he sought the added televised debates with Edmund G. (Jerry) Brown Jr. as a way of going "directly to the people," bypassing what he com-plained were distortions of his campaign hy the media.

the media do not accurately report His initiative to request more deon his positions, "at least the people who watch the debate will hear bates with Mr. Brown, the former California governor, was an unusuthem." al step for a front-runner. Mr. Clinton's advisers are considering Brown appeared to recognize that

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Cresson Meets With Mitterrand

PARIS (Reuters) - France waited on Tuesday for President François Mitterrand to announce a decision over the future of his unpopular prime minister, Edith Cresson, Mrs. Cresson, 58, met the president for the third time in three days, and the TF1 television station said she had tendered her resignation.

Finance Minister Pierre Beregovoy, 60, was a favorite to replace Mrs. Cresson, who has been widely hlamed for the ruling Socialist Party's disastrous collapse in regional elections. Mr. Beregovoy also had an hourlong meeting with Mr. Mitterrand but said it was just

their weekly economic briefing. Mrs. Cresson left her meeting with the president after 45 minutes without comment and later flew to Germany to speak at the Hannover trade fair.

Court Refuses to Grant Tyson Bail

INDIANAPOLIS (Reuters) — An appeals court on Tuesday refused to release the boxer Mike Tyson from jail on hail while his lawyers challenge his rape conviction.

A three-judge panel of the Indiana State Court of Appeals had been considering the matter since midday Monday, when it received documents relating to the case.

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center stage in Europe, hut it is

unsure of its role. Pages 7-12.

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Bonn Defense Chief Quits Amid Scandal

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By Stephen Kinzer New York Times Service

BONN - Gerhard Stoltenberg. Germany's defense minister, resigned Tuesday following the scandal over illegal arms shipments to Turkey.

His senior aide, Ottfreid Hennig. also resigned.

The minister is a longtime friend and ally of Chancellor Helmut Knhl. At a news conference, Mr. Kohl said he respected Mr. Stoltenberg's decision to quit, hut had not forced it.

Mr. Knhl said that the new defense minister would be Volker Rühe, 49, now chairman of the ruling Christian Democratic Union. An outspoken and ambitinus figure, he is considered a possible future chancellor.

Mr. Stoltenberg said he feared that if he remained in office, his presence would harm the Christian Democrats, who face important elections Sunday in the provinces of Schleswig-Holstein and Baden-Württemburg. But the scandal has already inflicted damage by harming the public image of both the party and the Kohl government. Only a few years ago, Mr. Stol-tenberg, 63. was himself being

mentioned as 3 potential chancel-

came to light last week, when Turkish forces attacked strongholds of the rebel Kurdish Workers' Party.

The weapons shipments that led

lor. He is one of several prominent

have been unexpectedly cut short hy scandal or political conflict.

to Mr. Stoltenberg's resignation

Christian Democrats whose careers

Witnesses reported that some tanks used in the attacks were German, and the Defense Ministry in Bonn acknowledged they had been shipped illegally.

The parliamentary budget com-mittee voted in November to halt all arms exports to Turkey on human rights grounds, and senior officials in the ministry promised to observe the ban. Nonetheless, at

ieast 15 German-made Leopard tanks were subsequently shipped. When the illegal shipments first came to light, Mr. Stoltenberg said they had been ordered by officials in his ministry without his knowl-edge. On Monday, he fired one of his senior aides. Wolfgang Ruppeit. The firing, however, only intensified pressure on Mr. Stoltenberg, Critics asserted that whether or not he had known of the shipments, he

It was the second scandal to con-See RESIGN, Page 2

bore responsibility for them.

SMILES OF THE WINNERS - Jodie Foster and Anthony Hopkins with their Oscars for best actress and best actor in "The Silence of the Lambs," which also won awards for best picture, best director and best adapted screenplay. Page 22.



By Clyde H. Farnsworth Sex York Times Service

RESOLUTE, Northwest Territories - The Japanese have tried it with motorcycles, the Norwegians with snowmobiles, the Swiss with mountain bikes, the French with packhorses from Ouebec.

Each March, as the sam begins warming northern latitudes after three and a half months of darkness, thoughts turn to one of the last great challenges, a trek to the North Pole. Many of the plans are laid around a big

kitchen table over innumerable cups of coffee in a prefabricated vinyl-sided house in this hamlet of 200, mostly Eskimos. Resolute is closer to Siberia than to Montreal.

Improbably, the owner of the house, who has been in Canada's north for the last 13 years, is from near the Equator. He is Bezal Jesudason. 51, a former mechanical engineer from Madrus, India, who has learned Inuktitut, the Eskimo language. He hunts seal and caribon with his Eskimo friends, and runs both a little inn here and an enterprise called High Arctic International Explorer Services.

"This is home for me now, and I love it," he said

He came to the far north via Hamburg, where he got his engineering degree, and Toronto. There, after working for a Caterpillar Tractor dealership, he joined the Department of Northern Affairs and was appointed maintenance supervisor at Frobisher Bay, now Iqaluit, on Baffin Island

The department posted him farther and far-ther north, until in Resolute, after meeting his wife, Terry, a schoolteacher from British Co-

lumbia working in the high Arcuc, he quit to go into private business.

High Arctic International outfits polar expeditions, like the latest one, by Nil Bohigas, 33. of Barcelona, who is trying to ski solo to the pole. He is an Olympic skier, whose background includes an ascent without oxygen to the 29,000-foot (8,829-meter) summit of Mount Everest. While on Everest, he paraglided from 24,000 feet to the base camp at 5,000 feet in 11 minutes, a trip that takes less intrepid mountaineers three days.

"There are some people who like to punch a

departure earlier this month at the Jesudasons' kitchen table. "I've always dreamed of doing something different."

His preparation included study of the experiences of Jean-Louis Evenne, a French doctor who in 1986 became the first person to ski solo to the pole. Mr. Bohigas said he wanted to be the first Spaniard to do it.

Mr. Jesudason, who runs the high Arctic outfitting business with his wife, said that since 1979 they had helped prepare 20 overland expe-ditions, of which 16 succeeded in reaching the even dress as Santa Claus.

time clock." Mr. Bohigas said on the eve of departure earlier this month at the Jesudasons' an eight-day tour that includes a trip to the pole

"I know it might sound stupid or crazy," he said, "but it's nice that people have dreams to go to the poie. If people dion't dream, we would never have had the Tay Mahal."

People go to the North Fole, which is not on land like the South Pole but on a moving sheet of ice, just to marvel, Mr. Jesudason said. Some take champagne, drive golf balls, dance like children around the time zones of the world, or

Stage / Entertainment Mike Zwerin reviews the tales of two Bruces: The new ones of Springsteen and the old ones of Lenny. Page 13. Weather Page 2.

Quarrel Over Fleet Steeped in History A 'New Crimean War' Looms

Over Russia-Ukraine Dispute

ing loyalty bere, the other half there."

Sailors and officers say the con-

"We don't light, but we argue."

Two other servicemen, swelter-

ing in their beavy wool coats on a warm spring day as they stopped at

a cafe, confirmed the split along

"The fleet is Ukrainian," said an 18-year-old sailor from western Ukraine. "It should he Ukrainian

His friend, a 19-year-old Russian

from Volgograd, disagreed. "It

should be a common fleet, as it was," be said. "Let it stay that

the most dreaded solution, and the

most likely one, is a division of the

But in the meantime, negotia-

discussed at the recent meeting of

heads of the Commonwealth's 11

For many career navy officers. from Admiral Kasatonov on down,

an shipmate.

national lines.

and it will be."

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By Celestine Bohlen New York Times Service

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SEVASTOPOL, Ukraine - The quarrel between Russia and test for their loyalties bas sapped morale, pitting Ukrainians against Ukraine over the Black Sea Fleet is Russians in ways that no one was not just about the great gray warprepared for. ships in this city's narrow harbor that, orphanlike, still fly the red said a 20-year-old senior sailor bammer-and-sickle of the former from Moscow, who was taking a walk through town with a Ukraini-Soviet Union.

As most Russians and Ukrainians are quick to point out, the fight now testing the survival of the Commonwealth of Independent States bas deeper historical roots. In many ways, it is really about the Crimean Peninsula itself, which is now poised for a referendum on its independence from Ukraine, and about Sevastopol, a navy town of faded elegance that dates to the reign of Catherine the Great.

Ukraine's claim to the fleet is territorial: The Crimea bas been part of Ukraine since 1954, when the Soviet leader, Nikita S. Khru-sbcbev, removed it from the jurisdiction of the Russian Republic and handed it over to Kiev, partly as a matter of administrative con-

Russia's claim is historical and. tions between military experts over dividing the fleet have come to a dead end. The issue was not even for many of the Russians who live bere and make up 70 percent of the city's population of 400,000, it is

Sevastopol is where the Russian empire realized its dream of a southern port.

still deeply emotional. Sevastopol is where the Russian empire finally realized its dream of a southern port, while the Black Sea Fleet, led by a series of distinguished Russian dmirals, became the agent of that

key military objective. Beyond Sevastopol's jagged bays lies the rest of Crimea, with its stunning coastline, the resort city of Yalta, and other places beloved by Russian writers from Pushkin to Chekhov and by government lead-ers from Nicholas II to Mikhail S. Gorbach :v.

As lorg as the Soviet Union existed, Fussian mourning for the Crimea was muted. Even now, the Russian government has refrained from staking any overt claims to the peninsula, although there have been rumblings from some of the ctore nationalist-minded deputies

ia parliameot. But the Russian president, Boris N. Yeltsin, with the Unified Command of the Commoowealth Armed Forces, has insisted that most of the Black Sea Fleet be considered an integral part of the Commonwealth's strategic forces, with cootrol beld in Moscow.

In Kiev, pressure continues to



STARRING ROLE IN THE CAMPAIGN — Glenda Jackson, who is running for Parliament as a Labor Party candidate, chatting with an elderly voter. The actress is trying to win the Conservative-held London seat of Hampstead and Highgate in the April 9 vote.

Sinn Fein Strives to Keep Political Role

hances its importance.

800 civilians.

By James F. Clarity New York Times Service BELFAST, Northern Ireland - Sinn Fein,

the civilian wing of the Irish Republican Army, is struggling in the British parliamentary election to maintain credibility as a political force in Northern Ireland. The campaign refocuses attention on the

personal background of Gerry Adams, presi-dent of Sinn Fein, and his No. 2, Martin McGuinness, both of whom are running for Parliament.

It also raises other basic questions: How close is Sinn Fein to the IRA? Could it actually broker a cease-fire or peace talks between Britain and the IRA? How rigid is the Sinn Fein-IRA demand of "Brits out," a policy denounced by the Protestant majority and many Catholics in Northern Ireland. Announcing Sinn Fein's election program at a news conference here Mooday, Mr. Ad-

ams emphasized that the party preferred a peaceful solution to the troubles, as the 23 years of conflict over Irish nationalism are known, but be declined again to denounce IRA violence. Sinn Fein, Gaelic for Ourselves Alone, is

seeking to increase its sbare of the general vote and to bold onto the one seat it controls, that of Mr. Adams in West Belfast.

The party is contesting 14 of the 17 parlia-mentary seats allotted to this British province of 950,000 Protestants and 650,000 Catholics. In the last national parliamentary election.

the party won 9 percent of the vote in North-ern Ireland. This would seem to make it a negligible factor in the politics of the province, but its identification with the IRA en-Many people here say that if there is ever to he peace in Ulster, ending the violence that has killed nearly 3,000 people, the British government will have to agree to talk to representatives of the IRA, Sinn Fein casts itself unpristability or complete the talk.

itself unmistakably as eager for that role. But the British will not talk to Sinn Fein until it denounces the violence of the predominantly deaths are considered by the IRA and its supporters to be a justifiable part of their Catholic IRA, which is responsible for the deaths of some 1,600 people, including about armed struggle.

Mr. Adams, who was a West Belfast bar-Many people fear that if Britain withdrew the 10,000 troops and 6,000 reserves posted in tender, was interned by the British for less than a year in 1971 as an IRA operative. Ulster province, a bloodbath would follow as Britisb security officials say they believe that he has close contacts with the IRA military the Protestant-dominated police and para-military forces would overwhelm the IRA, command, if he is not actually a member of it. which has an estimated 400 active guerrillas. Mr. Adams is expected to win his seat at Mr. McGuinness was an IRA military estminster, but not to go to London to take chief in the 1970s and is now banned, as a it.

terrorist, from entering other parts of Britain. He became active in Sinn Fein in the early 1980s. In an interview in Londonderry, he clined to discuss his IRA past, but he said that there was a contradiction in the British policy of refusing to talk to Sinn Fein until it denounces IRA violence.

"We want all violence to end," Mr. McGuinness said. But asked if he would conderm IRA violence, he said: "I will never do it in a million years. I would not condemn them, the people who offer resistance to Brit-ish violence."

Over the weekend, after an IRA mortar attack in the town of Newry killed a police officer and blew the legs off ber colleague, there was no comment from Sinn Fein. Such

WORLD BRIEFS

AMPILON ISA:

Russia Assures U.S. on Atomic Arms

BRUSSELS (Reuters) - Russia assured the United States on Tuesday that a transfer of tactical nuclear weapons to Russia from other Com-monwealth republics would be completed by July 1, despite apparent

Ukrainian opposition. Deputy Defense Minister Pavel Grachov said he made the promise to Defense Secretary Dick Chevey at a meeting on the eve of an East-West gathering of defense ministers.

Mr. Grachov said he also told Mr. Cheney that hundreds of warheads oow in Ukraine, Belarus and Kazakhstan as well as those in Russia world be stored carefully until they could be destroyed. Ukraine has suspended the transfer of its weapons back to Russia, saying it had no guarantee that they would be destroyed.

Thai Parties Back Accused Politician

BANGKOK (Reuters) — The two biggest parties in a pro-military coalition trying to form a government in Thailand expressed their support Tuesday for the prime minister-designate, a man once denied a U.S. visa because of drug-trafficking suspicions. "Our party considers this controversy closed," said a spokesman for the Samakkhi Tham party, whose leader, Narong Wongwan, has been nominated to be Thailand's 19th prime minister by a five-party pro-military coalition. The No. 2 coalition partner, Chart Thai, also said i would stick by Mr. Narong. would stick by Mr. Narong.

would stick by Mr. Narong. The Samakkhi Tham spokesman said the issue had been closed Monday, when the U.S. State Department spokeswoman, Margaret D. Tutwiler, said that the United States was unlikely to document its case. against Mr. Narong publicly. The spokesman said the U.S. report "showed that the U.S. does not have any evidence to substantiate its charges against Mr. Narong."

Bosnians Discuss Regional Carve-Up

BRUSSELS (AFP) — Leaders of the three rival ethnic groups of the Yugoslav republic of Bosnia-Herzegovina began a second day of talk-here Tuesday on proposals to divide the republic into a patchwork of ethnic cantons.

Diplomats said that the local Serbian leader, Radovan Karadzic, was least critical of the proposals, which were accepted in principle by the three groups earlier this month.

The Croatian leader, Miljenko Brkic, said Monday that the republic could not be carved up into districts purely along ethnic lines, but that economic and historical factors had to be considered as well. The Bosnian president, Alija Izetbegovic, representing Muslims, took a similar line. Both men called on the Serb-controlled military to return to barracks.

3 Beaten at U.S. Embassy in China

BELIING (Reuters) - At least three people have been viciously beaten by Chinese militiamen outside the gates of the U.S. Embassy in Beijing, according to an embassy spokeswoman who said the matter had been taken up with Chinese authorities. China's Foreign Ministry had no. immediate comment.

In the most brutal incident, a Chinese man was knocked to the ground

and kicked in the head until he bled profosely, a witness said. It was not clear whether the victims were dissidents seeking visas for the United States among the hundreds of applicants who line up outside the embassy every day. The spokeswoman could not say when the attacks took place, or give other details.

Mubarak Criticizes Fundamentalism

CAIRO (Reuters) - President Hosni Mubarak, in his most openattack yet on Muslim fundamentalism, has denounced people who use religious extremism and intellectual terrorism for "cheap political gains.". In a speech on the holiday of Lailat al Qadr, when Muslims celebrate the revelation of the Koran to the prophet Mohammed, he said; "They' are not even alarmed when their illicit trade tarnishes the image of Muslims and weakens the status of the Muslim nation before the world," Unusually, the andience interrupted Mr. Mubarak only once to ap-pland and listened closely as he read the carefully worlded address, which did not mention any country or religious group by name.

For the Record

Jamaica's sixth prime minister, P.J. Patterson, has been sworn in and has said he will uphold economic austerity policies.

TRAVEL UPDATE

Strikes by Paris transport workers caused disruptions Tuesday on Line I of the Metro and Line A of the RER, the regional commuter express

member states in Kiev, where many had hoped for a top-level decision on what most agree has become a political issue. Ukrainian officers trace the stalemate to Russia, which they see as promoting its own interests, under the camouflage of the Commoowealth. The map on the wall at the fleet's press center would seem to bear out the Ukrainians' suspicions that Russians, who make up a majority of the officer corps, are not reconciled to a Ukrainian Cri-

mea. On the large pink expanse of what was once the Soviet Union, someone penciled in the borders of the new Ukrainian state - leaving out the Crimea, Indecision over the future of the fleet has cast a shadow over Sevas-topol, with its old-fashiooed down-

town, classical colonnades, and hilly, tree-lined streets kept elean by brigades of sailors whose smart black uniforms help give the city its spiffy look. The city is still closed to foreiga-

ers and even nonresidents, except those granted special permission by Kiev, in accordance with local military authorities. City officials say it will be opened soon, but only after the resolution of a severe water sbortage that now limits usage to

three hours a day. Earlier this year, Sevastopol found itself short of funds, withheld by the Ukrainian parliament due to uncertainty over the fleet, said Mayor Ivan F. Yermakov. The subsidies were later restored, but

Iraq Steps Up Attacks Against Kurds

By Chris Hedges New York Times Service ASKI KALAK, Iraq - In apparent violation of the cease-fire agreement signed after the Gulf War, Iraqi military forces are shell-

pick-up trucks, streamed oorth toing and sbooting at thousands of Kurdish civilians along their front ward the city. Women and children, staring vacantly out across the fields, covered with a thin layer of new spring grass, clutched bur-lap bags with a few possessions. The attacks, against about a dozen small villages and towns aloog the Great Zab River, bave forced Some cars had large, ungainly pieces of furniture lasbed to the the entire population of 40,000 people to flee their homes since last Wednesday, according to the Unit-

sides. The occasional burst of a 155mm

On the road leading from the created to convince 1.5 million ref-Aski Kalak bridge, on the front ugees in Iran and Turkey that they battling government troops to cre-ate a similar independent enclave could return home, and it roughly corresponds to Iraq's 36th parallel. The 15,000 allied troops that moved into the enclave last spring line, to the city of Erbil, dozens of in Turkey. families, piled onto farm carts hauled behind tractors and old have been withdrawn, but the allies maintain a small military monitoring team in the town of Zakho, and their warplanes make daily flights

over the area from Incitlik, Turkcy. The zooe does not extend as far west as Aski Kalak, but Iraqi au-

thorities must respect the rights of Kurdish civilians under agreements based on UN Security Council Resolution 688 that were worked out by UN officials in Baghdad after the war. The shelling is seen by many UN officials in northern Irao as a violation of the cease-fire agreement

On Monday, Turkish warplanes struck four Kurdish villages in

northern Iraq, wounding at least two people. The air strike, the fifth this month, was aimed at Turkish rebel bases along the border, the Turkish authorities said. There are also 1,000 internation-

al and UN personnel in the north, including 500 lightly armed UN guards, to help deter an Iraqi at-The failure of the allied forces to respond to the recent attacks has worried many Kurdish and Western officials, who say that unless a stern reprimand, threatening the use of force, is given to Baghdad it will continue to harass civilians living near the front lines and seize Kurdish- held territory.

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mount for control of virtually the entire fleet, or at least that part oased on Ukrainian territory. According to figures cited recently in the Russian news media, the Black Sea Fleet, smallest of the four principal fleets that made up the Soviet Navy, has 3 aircraft carriers, 6 missile cruisers, 30 submarines, 235 combat planes and helicopters, and scores of support ships. Official figures are still classified.

Ukraine first put the issue of the fleet to the test in January with an order that its officers and sailors join in a loyalty oath to the new and independent Ukrainian state. The fleet's commander, Admiral Ivan Kasatonov, later retaliated by administering oaths of loyalty to the Commonwealth,

The tug-of-war over loyalty aths has continued, although both lides agree that the outcome is largely meaningless. Ultimately, the fate of the flect is inexorably uied to the fate of the Common wealth, a collucal conjudrum that no one seems able to solve in the face of the rapid unraveling along national lines.

Andrei L. Lazebnikov, chief of the fleet's press center, noting that 91 percent of the fleet's officers and sailors had sworn allegiance to the Commonwealth, accused Ukrainian officers of waging an under-ground campaign to win sailors over to Kiev's side. He said about 10 Ukrainian officers had been demoted as a result of such activity.

"We are not against a Ukrainian oath. or a Ukrainian fleet," be said. "It can be resolved, but in a civilized manner. On one military obective, on one ship, you cannot have one crew, with one half swear-

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Mr. Yermakov said. As long as the ed Nations High Commissioner fo Refugees. "The Iraqis bave always lobbed a issue of the fleet is unresolved, tensions remain in the city."

To the outrage of some residents, few mortar rounds now and then towards the Kurds," a UN official the Ukrainian government recently resurrected Sevastopol's special said, "but since last Wednesday they bave been dropping up to 300 beavy artillery shells a day in the status as a city ruled directly by Kiev, as it was by Moscow under Catherine the Great and in the car- area. It is quite a dramatic increase. ly Soviet era. Mr. Yermakov was named special representative to the

Ukrainian president, Leonid M. ZAIRE: A Country Stripped Bare and Left to Wither Kravcbuk, making the mayor answerable to kiev, not to the local City Council or the regional Crimean government in Simferopol. These moves were protested last week by a small group of demonstrators carrying banners that de-clared Sevastopol to be a "City of trition.

the Crimea, not a suburb of Kiev." The Republican Movement of Crimea, which led the drive for next month's referendum on Crimean independence, asserts that Mr. Kravcbuk's aim is to divide Sevasworked, since they have no medical equipment and no medicines. topol from the rest of the Crimea, as a way of insuring his claim to the Black Sea Fleet

As in Sevastopol, a large swath of territory that makes up 10 per-cent of the peninsula, ethnic Russians are the majority in the Crimea. In recent years, the region's ethnic mosaic has been made even more intricate by the return of some 166,000 Crimean Tatars to their bomeland, after decades spent in Central Asia where they had

been deported by Stalin after World War II. Like the loyalty oaths, the referendum is not likely to resolve anything. Ukraine is sure not to let the Crimea, which has the status of an autonomous region, break away entirely.

shell sbook the ground and sent a thick plume of white and black smoke skyward. With each blast, the windows and doors in the bouses along the road rattled and shook.

Allied forces set up a security zone after an abortive Kurdish up-

While Iraqi Kurds struggle to zone after an abortive Kurdish up-trising after the Gulf War. It was the north, Turkish Kurds have been

The city's telephone system has

nearly shut down, so those who can

afford it rely on portable satellite

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ed to become a problem next week,

as the government has no hard cur-

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has nearly run out. The electrical

system, too, is apparently on its last

legs since the government canno

afford spare parts, and most of the

expatriate technicians who main-

Kinshasa Intercontinental Hotel,

where the city's few visitors can still

dine in a posh restaurant and listen

to the latest French and American

Since the rioting in September, most international airlines avoid

Kinshasa's airport, once a commer-

cial bub for Central Africa, Inter-

national flights now land across the

river in Congo, ostensibly because Lloyd's of London insurers have

dramatically increased the rates for

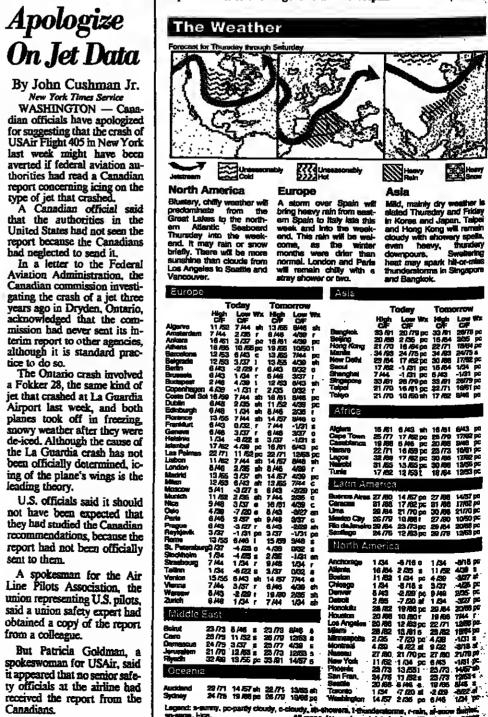
music at the upstairs disco.

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railroad. The one-day strike was called to protest the opening Wednesday of extensions of Line 1 to the modern business district of La Défense and of Line A to Chessy-Marne-la-Vallée, according a spokesman for the Paris rapid transit authority. The Chessy, or Torcy, terminal will serve the Euro Disneyland theme park, which is scheduled to open April 12. Trade Euro Disneyland theme park, which is scheduled to open April 12. If add union officials have called for another strike on that day. (*IHT*) Japanese rairoad workers began a 48-boar strike Tueaday in southern and western Japan, affecting about 1 million travelers. The strike was called to back demands for higher pay and better working conditions. It was the first since Japan National Railways, with its 277,000 workers, went private in April 1987, dividing into seven companies. (*AP*) Japan Air Lines flight crews have threatened to strike in a pay dispute, a union official said Tuesday. "We have expressed our intention to go on strike." the IAI Elight Crew Union official said our intention of go on

strike," the JAL Flight Crew Union official said. A final decision will depend on the state of negotiations in mid-April. (Reuters)



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met by a belicopter that loads up (Continued from page 1) with the new money and whisks it local residents belies their poor nuimmediately to a vacht on the Zaire River that is the floating refuge of The capital's state-run hospitals Mr. Mobutu. He has thus become a one-man cenural bank, dispensing inme. Safe drinking water is expectare closed, and the patients have been sent home. Officially, this is cash as he sees fit - and that because the doctors are on strike means making sure he meets the over their minuscule pay, but they say it would not matter if they

monthly payroll of key military units that ensure his grip on power. The country's official banking system has all but collapsed. Cus-Schools are closed because the tomers are limited to withdrawals teachers are on strike. from primaof about 100,000 Zaires each day: ry school through university level. rampaging inflation has reduced The public service sector, by and the value of this to the equivalent of large, has ceased to function. There about 75 cents.

is a government, there are ministers and there even is an official budget. "There is no economy left, at least nothing formal," a European but there is an air of fantasy about diplomat said. "The production figure is so low it's terrible. There is it all, since the tax collection system has broken down and virtually no customs revenues are coming in. no money in the banks: there's no For the most part, the government money left. Nothing is working has taken to paying its bills by printing fresh batches of currency. no hospitals, no schools, no public service." According to foreign mplomats

When asked how long this could and Zairian opposition figures, last, the diplomat shrugged his bank notes in the local currency. shoulders and suggested that the country should have collapsed long ago. The situation defies logic and, therefore, prediction, he said. the Zaire, are being printed in Germany and flown to Kinshasa's Ndjili Airport, There, the plane is

RESIGN: Stoltenberg Quits Bonn Defense Post PERMANENT U.S. VISA 30,000 green card packages are now available for 1992. Deadline is

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front Mr. Stoltenberg in recent months. He was strongly criticized in December after it was revealed that his ministry was surreputiously sending arms to Israel in containers marked as containing agricultural equipment. Replying to the criticism, he said he had known

ocratic candidate for premier. Social Democrats in Schleswig-Holstein have already introduced the scandal into the campaign, circu-

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nothing of the shipments. "He is clearly not in control any more," said Hans-Uhrich Klose, leader of the Social Democratic minority in parliament. At Mr. Klose's request, parliament sebeduled a special session for Thursday at which Mr. Stoltenberg's policies

Newspapers of various persuasions had called for Mr. Stoltenberg's resignation. The country's largest-circulation daily, Bild, caran Community, and German leadried a front-page neadline asking ers periodically condemn the An-'Has the Minister No Honor?" kara government for buman rights In his resignation statement, Mr. Stoltenberg reiterated previous de-

lating leaflets headlined. "Hennig is an Arms Trafficker." German relations with Turkey are especially sensitive. Both countries are NATO members, and as were to be debaled. such they are officially allies. But Germany has unofficially blocked Turkey's entrance into the Europe-

> abuses. Relations worsened dramatically

nials that he was responsible for over the weekend. President Turgut illegal arms shipments to Turkey. Ozal compared the Boan govern "But to a great degree." he ac-knowledged. "the public judgment ment to that of Hitler, and newspapers in Ankara and Istanbul called and perception was otherwise." for boycotts of German-made The affair could have especially products. Turkey's educatioo and

serious consequences in Schleswig-Holstein, Mr. Hennig, the top aide culture ministers conceled planned visits to Germany. who resigned is its Christian Dem-German criticism of Turkey has also put it at odds with the United States. While Germany considers altacks on the Kurdish Workers'

Party to be a violation of minority rights. American officials bave sanctioned the attacks and denounced the party as a terrorist organization. The United States has also reportedly supplied Turkey with satellite photos that have helped military officers piapoint the location of Kurdish enclaves.

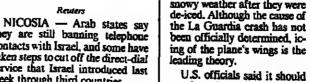
Mr. Rühe is considered an expert on foreign and security policy. He is fluent in English and travels regularly to Washington, where he has a network of political ties.

they are still banning telephone contacts with Israel, and some have taken steps to cut off the direct-dial service that Israel introduced last week through third countries.

Israel's largely state-owned Bezek telephone company on Thursday opened up direct dialing to 11 Arab countries that do not have relations with Israel. Except for Egypt, which signed a peace treaty with Israel in 1979, there are no direct lines between israel and the Arab world, But Bezek has patched up automatic connections through companies abroad.

"Four separate companies in foreign countries are involved in completing the connections," said an Israeli Communications Ministry spokesman. He refused to identify them

Arabs Still Reject Israel Phone Ties



leading theory. U.S. officials said it should not have been expected that they had studied the Canadian recommendations, because the report had not been officially sent to them.

A spokesman for the Air Line Pilots Association, the union representing U.S. pilots, said a union safety expert had obtained a copy of the report from a colleague.

But Patricia Goldman, a spokeswoman for USAir, said it appeared that no senior safety officials at the airline had received the report from the Canadians.

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CAMPAIGN BASICS / Edmund G. (Jerry) Brown Jr.

The Race So Far

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Democratic gadfly, running as a populist, beat the early odds with a victory in Colorado and a second-place finish in Michigan. In a surprise, narrowly won Connecticut primary but faces uphill fight in New York. Banking on further damaging revelations about Bill Clinton; has fueled questions about Mr. Clinton's financial arrangements, environmental record and comminnent to racial harmony. Low-budget campaign has tapped into anti-Washington protest vote, union concerns over the recession and pockets of strong environmentalism. Has 153 delegates of 2,145 needed to nominate.

Profile

Age 53. Son of a former California governor, Dropped out of Jesuit seminary to attend University of California at Berkeley, Yale Law School. Labor and anti-war organizer in the 1960s. Served as California secretary of state and two terms as California governor after Ronald Reagan. Ran for president in 1976 and 1980. California Democratic chairman last year. Worked with Mother Teresa in India. Studied Buddhism in Japan. Wears lapel rib-bon to signify solidarity with AIDS victims. Vows to accept no campaign contribution of more than \$100. Running as a populist reformer who views Washington as a den of corruption fueled by big money. Roman Catholic, Unmartied Advertises his toll-free phone number for contributors.

Verbatim

"The reason why I believe so many people don't vote anymore is because they don't feel that their vote will actually add any difference to their lives. It's just another empty ritual that comes along and they don't want to take part. And I think that's a very damning statement about the state of politics. ... The elite of this country who have been able to control and tilt the political system in their favor are now presiding over a decline that they can't change. They can't change it because their whole thought process and their whole interpretation of reality is not congruent with what America really needs. ... Progress doesn't happen because you have a collection of special interests who have inordinate and disproportionate power and influence. And you have that influence through money. Through the money that they lobby with and that they pay for the can paigns.... The money comes from less than 1 percent of the people - those who got us in the mess. ... Clinton just went up and spent 200,000 bucks in the last four days in Connecticut because he's scared to death that the truth is coming out about him, about his shoddy politics, about his playing golf in whiteonly golf courses. I mean, this guy is walking on eggshells, and the collapse is either going to come this week or next week or when George Bush takes the baloncy of Bill Clinton and starts grinding whatever's left of it."

On the Issues

Economy: Favors eliminating the tax structure, including Social Security tax and excise taxes. Says to impose a 13 percent tax on all personal income with deductibility for home mortgage interest, rent and charitable contributions. Also favors imposing a 13 percent value-added

ing, said the issue the council faced port international terrorism.

INTERNATIONAL HERALD TRIBUNE, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 1992

A Fifth of Voters Found to Back Texas Billionaire

Los Angeles Times Service LOS ANGELES - Signaling dissatisfaction with the choices in the presidential contest, one-fifth of registered voters say they would the support the Texas hillionaire H. Ross Perot in a three-way race for the White House with President George Bush and Governor Bill Clinton of Arkansas, according to a new Los Angeles Times Poll.

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In a hypothetical three-way election, Mr. Perot drew 21 percent, compared with 37 percent for Mr. Bush and 35 percent for Mr. Clinton, the poll found.

What makes Mr. Perot's strength even more striking is that only one-third of

registered voters now know enough about the industrialist to have an opinion of him. Mr. Perot, 61, who made his fortune building a computer services company in Texas, has said he will seek the presidency as an independent if volunteers obtain enough signatures to place him on the hallot in every state.

Mr. Perot on Monday named a retired vice admiral, James B. Stockdale, 68. a former navy comhat pilot, as his temporary running mate.

The move clears the way for volunteers to mount petition drives on Mr. Perot's behalf to get him on the ballot. Twenty-seven states require independent candi-

dates to name running mates on their ballot petitions. Admiral Stockdale is now a senior re-

search fellow at Stanford University's Hoover Institution on War, Revolution and Peace, a conservative research foundation.

He led the first U.S. bombing raid on North Vietnam in 1964. The following year he was shot down over North Vietnam; he spent more than seven years in a prisoner-of-war camp.

He was awarded the Medal of Honor for having tried to kill himself to keep guards from getting information that he feared would jeopardize fellow prisoners.

Mr. Perot said he would name a permanent running mate by the time the Democratic and Republican parties held their political conventions this summer.

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The Times poll surveyed 1.521 adults. including 1,255 registered voters, from March 27 to March 29; it has a margin of

error of plus or minus 3 percentage points. The sample includes 607 registered Democrats and independents who lean toward the party, as well as 544 registered Republicans and independents who lean toward the Republicans.

The margin of error on questions about the sentiment of primary voters in either party is plus or minus 5 percentage points.

As Gotti's Trial Closes, A Caveat to Jury Prods Defense to Cry Mistrial

By Laurie Goodstein

Washington Part Service NEW YORK - Pandemonium erupted in the closing minutes of the 10-week trial of John Gotni, a reputed criminal leader, when U.S. Attorney Andrew Maloney told jn-rors that they'd be "less than human" not to fear the man they are

being asked to judge. Jumping to their feet, Mr. Gotti's attorneys called for a mistrial and suggested that Mr. Maloney's maneuver had given them what they had sought all along - solid grounds for an appeal should their client be found guilty.

Jurors were ready to begin their deliberations Tuesday on charges mistrial. of murder, racketeering, conspira-cy and tax evasion against Mr. Gotti and his alleged underboss. Frank Locascio, also known as Frankie Locs.

The jury of six men, six women and four alternates is being kept anonymous and sequestered for the Subic for U.S. duration to avoid the possibility

that Mr. Gotti's associates might try to intimidate them or tamper with the process. The government said such actions had occurred in earlier Gotti trials.

[After consulting with lawyers from both sides, the presiding indge dismissed a juror Tuesday. but would not discuss the reasons. The Associated Press reported. He did say it was not as a result of misconduct by either defense or prosecution.]

Mr. Maloney made the opening arguments in the trial, but in the ensuing weeks be became a silent presence at the prosecution table, while Assistant U.S. Attorney John Gleeson wove the complicated case attempting to label Mr. Gotti as head of the New-York based Gam-bino crime family. Trying to ridicule Mr. Maloney at one slow moment in the trial.

Mr. Gotti pointed to him and asked, "Who's he?"

But Monday, Mr. Maloney pul the final thetorical flourishes in a

rebuttal to the closing arguments of the Goth attorneys. "If you accept the proof of what yon are dealing with here, the boss of a murderous, treacherous crime

family, and his underboss." Mr. Maloney inld the jury, "you'd be less than human if you din't feel some personal concern." At that, five attorneys at the defense table rose and shouted, in

unison, "Objection!" U.S. District Judge I. Leo Glasser said, "Sustained."

Minutes later, Mr. Maloney finished his speech, and all the defense attorneys were again on their feet calling for the judge to declare a

Judge Glasser denied the motion Hillary Clinton wooing a voter in the New York subway. The state primary is April 7. for mistrial in a closed conference.

Mrs. Clinton in White House Post? **Guam to Replace**

AGANA, Guam - The United States will turn Guam inin a major military base to balance the loss of Subie Bay Naval Base in the Philip-pines, a U.S. Navy official said

new bases treaty with Washington. Guam will be upgraded to deal with "possible threats to regional security" such as North Korea's nuclear program, the official said. The Guam hase, 2,500 kilometers

(1985) and Myrua Loy (1990).

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Short Takes

Subic was towed to Guam last month, the second left last Sunday

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preme Court ruled Tuesday that has been achieved but where other school systems can now be declared aspects of a judge's order remain In its second major school deseg-

Federal judges have used those categories routinely since a 1968

the administration if he wins the election in No-Encouraged during a campaign stop at Milwau-kee's Metro Area Technical College to include Hillary Clinton, who is a partner in a Little Rock law firm, in his prospective administration. Mr.

"I think what we will do if I am the nominee and if I am elected," he said, "we will try to decide what

"It would be unusual, there has never been a

U.S. Eases Desegregation Steps High Court Lets Schools Achieve Integration Gradually

to forced husing in some school assignment, faculty, staff, transdistricts where student integration portation, extracurricular activities

and facilities.

Supreme Court decision said they

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Clinton said:

it is she ought to do, and then discuss it with ourselves and then tell the American people, and give them time to get adjusted to it."

...." He paused without completing the sentence.

Mr. Clinton said during a question-and-answer MILWAUKEE - Governor Bill Clinton appar-ently wants his wife. Hillary, in play a major role in session at the college that "there are worlds of things Hillary could do at a very high level in the administration.

He added: "I would hope that the American people would support that, because I certainly would want her involved in some very clear and high-level way.

"She also knows a lot about this. For 20 years, she has worked on the problems of children; for the last several years, she has worked on the problems of retraining the American work force." Mr. Clinton said: "I appreciate your encouragement. I'll sure try to get oer in there at some high level. But you've got to get me in first before I can

get her in.

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(1,500 miles) east of the Philip-pines, will supply and arm U.S. forces from the western Pacific to

the Gulf, he added. One of three floating drydocks at

and the last will be pulled out by May, he said, adding that access arrangements with Singapore and Malaysia would allow U.S. forces to maintain a strong presence in Southeast Asia

Washington Post Service vember.

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community is prepared to back up its own words with actions and demonstrate that it will protect itself against a state that engages in terrorism. France's representative, Jean-

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Bernard Merimee, said that by af-fecting Libya's armaments, avia-evidence that it has renounced tertion and diplomatic personnel, the rorism.

Specifics on Sanctions

The Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS, New York - Among the sanctions that the

Security Council could impose on Libya: an air embargo, a ban on

The resolution says all states shall take the following steps until Libya turns over suspects in the bombings of Pan Am Flight 103 and

· AIR EMBARGO: All nations must prohibit aircraft from using

their territory or airspace on the way to or from Libya, unless a craft

carries humanitarian supplies approved by a UN committee. All

states also must prohibit the supply of aircraft or aircraft compo-

ARMS EMBARGO: All states must prohibit providing Libya

with weapons, ammunition and military equipment of any type. They must also withhold military technical advice and training, and

withdraw any officials or agents now in Libya for those purposes. • DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL: All states must "significantly

reduce" their diplomatic staffs at Libyan diplomatic missions and consular posts, restrict the movement of Libyan staff on their

territory and shut down Libyan Arab Airlines offices. They must also expel or deny entry to Libyan nationals who have been expelled

from or denied entry to other states because of terrorist activities.

• TERRORISM: Libya must renounce terrorism, "cease all forms

of terrorist action" and prove it has done so "promptly, by concrete

weapons trade and a reduction of Libyan diplomatic personnel.

But he indicated that the council was whether "the international would relax the air traffic ban against Tripoli to allow Libyan pilgrims to visit Mecca.

LIBYA: UN Council Votes for Air and Arms Sanctions

Britain's representative, Sir Da-vid Hannay, stressed "the very great importance" London atta-

ciency for cars.

sanctions would directly burt three Although he did not say what

of the instruments it uses to sup- evidence Britain wanted, be listed

tercepted on their way to the militant Provisional wing of the Irish Republican Army as well as the fatal shooting of a policewoman, Yvonne Fletcher, in 1984 by a gun-man inside the Libyan Embassy in London.

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tax on business transactions, including retail

sales - a national sales tax. Backs investing in

space exploration, bullet trains, commercial

shipbuilding. Wants to create 50 Urban Enter-

prise Zones where "generous" tax breaks will attract businesses. Wants to shift defense re-

search and development efforts to civilian use.

Trade: Wants to condition favored-trade status

for China on human rights improvements. Op-

poses streamlined congressional approval pro-

cess for U.S.-Mexico free trade agreement, say-

ing the United States is exporting jobs to Mexico. Work through the General Agreement

Social Policy: Favors "single-payer" national health system, similar to Canada's, and elimi-

nation of private insurers. Opposes death pen-alty. Favors abortion rights. Wants to limit

congressional terms. Would provide vouchers

to businesses to give jobs to welfare recipients.

Wants national education standards but would

abolish Department of Education. Wants com-

puters made available to all students. Wnuld

Military and Foreign Affairs: Would cut mili-tary budget by half, \$150 billion, over five years. Wants to end B-2 bomber program. Would retain 1,000 troops in Europe and invite

1,000 European troops to the United States.

Would admit Haitian refugees. Favors cutting

arms sales abroad, especially in the Mideast.

Energy and Environment: Has a strong envi-

ronmental record in California, Favors global

warming accord, Would create a Civilian Con-

servation Corps to create jobs and improve

land reclamation. Wants massive program to

make buildings and businesses energy-effi-

cient. Seeks to end reliance on nuclear energy.

Opposes offshore oil drilling. Backs increasing

wetlands protection. Seeks stronger fuel effi-

equalize spending among school districts.

on Tariffs and Trade to keep tariffs low.

The requirement that Libya demonstrate its renunciation of terrorism by "concrete actions" has aroused speculation that the United States, Britain and France might demand names of terrorists trained and armed by Libya as well as details of past terrorist operations it was involved in as a condition for lifting sanctions.

Since Libya would presumably be reluctant to provide such information, some diplomats argue that the sanctions are likely to prove more difficult to lift than to impose and could become bound up with the personal fate of Colonel Moammar Gadhafi, the Libyan leader, as those imposed on Iraq are becoming wound up with that of President Saddam Hussein.

Libya's own representative, Abmed Elhouderi, as well as the representatives of many of the Arab and Islamic bodies that took the floor in Libya's defense, argued that the dispute over the airline bombings had become a legal one over wheth-er Libya itself should try those accused of terrorist attacks - as it contends it has a right to do instead of extraditing them.

the real thing." Among the recip-ients of honorary awards are AMERICAN Cary Grant (1969), Orson Welles (1970), Charlie Chaplin (1971), TOPICS Jean Renoir (1974), Barhara Stanwyck (1981), Paul Newman

Of Hollywood Fame

And Oscar Awards

This week, with the announcement of Hollywood's annual gress has ordered the army, navy Academy Awards, is as good a and air force academies to reduce their earoliments of 4,400 time as any to consider what Charlie Chaplin, Greta Garbo, Orson Welles and Marilyn Monstudents each by 10 percent over the next three years. And, start-ing in 1997, academy graduates roe have in common: None of will receive reserve rather than them ever won an Oscar for best regular commissions. After at actor or actress. Nor, notes Janet Maslin in The New York Times, least one year of active duty they will compete for the more secure have Marlene Dietrich, Myrna Loy, Cary Grant, Barbara Stanregular commissions with Reserve Officers Training Corps wyck, Fred Astaire, Paul Newman or Al Pacino. graduates of civilian colleges.

Directors who have missed ont include Alfred Hitchcock, Luis Velcro tabs on sneakers two de-Bunuel, Jean Renoir, François cades ago has devised a way to Truffaut, Ernst Lubitsch, Buster make shoes tighter or looser hy turning a disk. Puma, a West Keaton, D.W. Griffith, Cecil B. DeMille and, at least thus far, Martin Scorsese, George Lucas German company with an Amerand Barbra Streisand. ican subsidiary, will introduce

"To make amends for such oversights," Ms. Maslin writes, "the academy sometimes votes the shoes in the United States in July; they already are on sale in Europe. The disk, about 11/2 inchspecial Oscars to venerable nones (4 centimeters) across, is on winnners, but the consolation the heavily padded tongue of the prize will never be mistaken for shoe. Turning it loosens or tight-

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ens plastic support straps outside the shoe. A quick-release button makes the shoes easy to take off.

Cioars were once an ever-present part of American life, smoked at work and at home and bought by the boxful on just about any corner. But even as the population has doubled, the cigar has steadily declined because of concerns about health and esthetics. In 1920, smokers lighted up 8.5 billion cigars a year. This is down to 2.2 hillion today.

Ever since the administration of John F. Kennedy, intellectuals have been on the outside of the White House looking in. The New York Times notes. Mr. Kennedy, though making no claims to being an intellectual himself, was at home with them His brain trust "emptied the Harvard faculty," as the historian Hannah Arendt pul it. Presidents ever since have hired or hohnobbed with few or no intellectuals, whose best chance for a comeback is with Bill Clinton. He is no intellectual, but a graduare of Yale law school and a Rhodes Scholar who. The Times says, "knows - and is known to know - intellectuals."

Arthur Higbee

regation ruling in 14 months, the could help identify vestiges of the court also said a school district discrimination banned in the Board of Education vs. Brown rulneed not remedy demographic changes beyond its control that reing of 1954. turn some schools to predominant-

Justice Kennedy said the appeals court was wrong in stating that In an S-to-O ruling that ended compliance must be achieved in all federal court supervision over stusix categories. He said federal dent enrollment in DeKalh Counjudges had the discretion "to order ty. Georgia. Justice Anthony M. the incremental withdrawal" of Kennedy wrote for the court that their supervision over school disthe duty and responsibility of a trict desegregation efforts. school district once segregated by

The decision sends important law was to take all steps necessary new guidelines to federal judges to eliminate the vesuiges of the unsupervising desegregation efforts in Justice Kennedy said that this hundreds of school districts nationwide, many of which include maswas required to ensure that "the sive busing of students. injuries and stigma inflicted upon the race disfavored by the violation

"By withdrawing control over areas where judicial supervision is no longer needed." Justice Kennedsaid. "a district court can concentrate both its own resources and those of the school district on areas where the effects of discrimination. have not been eliminated."

court-ordered husing in formerly segregated school districts could The decision left the DeKalb end once all "practicable" steps to school district under federal court eliminate the remnants of segregasupervision in two key respects faculty assignments and resource Justice Clarence Thomas, the allocation. But court supervision court's only black member, fild not over student assignments, transparticipate in the decision because portation, physical facilities and he joined the court after the case extracurricular activity is ended.

In another decision, the court The decision reversed an 11th upheld the formula that Congress U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruling that said a school system has chosen to distribute House achieved full integration if it mainseats among the states. As a result Montana stands to lose one of its tained at least three years of racial two House seats. UPI. AP

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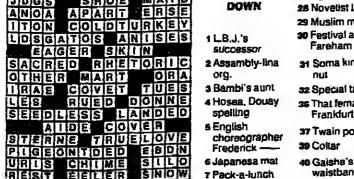


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(Continued from page 1) plete profile of who he is and what he stands for," said James Carville, one of Mr. Clinton's senior strate-

gists. "People can't react to information they don't have." In his comments about media coverage, Mr. Clinton seemed to single out the New York City press, whose tabloid newspapers have given prominent display to negative stories about him. But he made it clear that they applied to newspapers, magazines and television else-

where as well. "I have been a punching bag in New York and all across this country." he said, when asked about the doubts voiced by New York voters about his candidacy. "How can people think anything different?" In an almost plaintive speech to black churchgoers in New York, Mr. Clinton referred to the coverage he has received and said: "I have seen myself turned into a cartoon character of an old-time Southern deal-maker by tabloids and television ads, a total denial of all my life's work."

The WABC survey was conducted before Mr. Clinton acknowledged Sunday that he had experimented with marijuana while he was a Rhodes scholar in England in

CLINTON: Debating Challenge his early 20s. He had said in an interview with the Daily News last week that he had "never broken the

> laws of my country. If the disclosure becomes a political liability in New York, it seems most likely to result from Mr. Clinton's use of a technicality to avoid answering the question before be was forced on Sunday by a television interviewer to say whether he had ever violated another country's law.

> Asked Monday whether he should have been forthcoming when he has been asked about drug use in the past. Mr. Clinton said: "No. In 1987, I sain what I believe in. I think there is a limit to what people ought to have to say. But 1 am running for president now. People finally asked me a direct question. I gave them a direct answer."

Mr. Clinton's advisers fear that the way his drug use became public could contribute to doubts about his credibility.

Stan Greenberg, Mr. Clinton's pollster, described New York as probably as difficult an environment to get your message through

as we've encountered." "We begin with more doubts! about us than in New Hampshire." he said.





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part of the investigation — intelli-gence agents, technicians and mag-istrates from the United States, Eu-Bank af Estar antirupe and the Middle East. Among those I have talked to · iirran Ig the second secon

50 ton journalist who, with Brian 100 Duffy, wrote "The Fall of Pan Am 103" in 1990, provided me with 1. A. this updated summary:

shows that Syria-based and -sup-ported terrorists, led by Ahmed Je-

Volunteers for the UN

Regarding "New Age for the Unit-ed Nations, Members Willing"

Stephen S. Rosenfeld's encour-

aging article notes that among the .

United Nations secretary-general

are using the organization's re-

sources efficiently, meeting the bills for peacekeeping and, in gen-eral, "toning up the United Na-

tions for the new age." Profoundly relevant to this, and to an enhanced UN role in conflict.

resolution and the building of de-

mocracy, is the fact that more than

10 percent of the UN humanitarian

workers in postwar Iraq have served

on volunteer terms. The same will

110 countries. Yet they are but a small fraction of the talented profes-

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The UN volunteers come from

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(Opinion, March 12):

U.S., European and Israeli airlines

people were involved in the crime, operation came from Iran, seeking from 100 many countries, for the revenge for the shooting down of United States and the United Na- the Iranian Airbus that sammer by mosts to be able to hang the Lock- the U.S. According to intelligence and then just walk away to Germany to oversee the operaforever from the rest of the story, tion and to personally witness the transfer of explosives and bombs.

over the past years, I have found ed off the operation to Libya,

none who believed that Libya alone which had its own terrorist infra-paid for, planned and carried out structure in place." the crime — exactly none. In any inquiry as long and com-Steven Emerson, the Washing plicated as the Pan Am investiga-

"The undisputed intelligence

was central to the operation. "The money and orders for the officials, Iranian officials traveled

"But the plan went awry when Syrian-hased terrorists were arrested by German police in late October 1988. Jebril, who had received funding from Libya for at least the previous two years, hand-

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sional women and men around the

world who would be prepared to serve the organization with atmost competence and commitment.

Mobilizing such people can be one way to draw on the enormous

reservoir of goodwill for the UN in

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Perot's Appeal

today's deep crisis.

tion there are differences among investigators as to timing and importance of details. I quote the Emerson summary because among professional investigators I found no quarrel with its basic outline: The Iranians paid for the opera-

1990. He says that the Jebril group

Ahmed Jebril is a former Syrian army officer. It is in Syria that his troops are barracked and trained. He also has close ties, financial and political, to Iran. As for the Libyans, some of the Jebril group fly planes for them, and fought with them in the war with Chad. Mr. Cannistraro says that after scouting the field for a target, the Jebril group settled on Pan Am because it found that in Frankfurt the airline was not "reconciling"

baggage fully - not making sure that every piece of baggage was identified directly with a passenger before being taken on board. Then came the arrests by the Germans, and the handoff to the

Libyans. Mr. Cannistraro thinks it likely that the Libyans were part of the operation from the beginning. Until 1991 the United States made it no secret that Ahmed Jebril was at the center of the web, thus involving Syria. Then evidence was found that also pointed to two Lib-

yans. President George Bush there-opon stunned the intelligence aidine at the same time in the same world by saying that Syria had city, all unknown to each other. Sepsceived a "bum rap." arately, two intelligence specialists came up with the same description received a "burn rap." lieve that two Middle Eastern ter- of that idea: total barnyard epithet.

LEONORE SUHL.

Portimão, Portugal,

guilty of cover-up. I say oo hut he is closing his eyes to what he does not wish to see. We all do that, I said to rorist gangs, paid by the same mas-ters, comrades in previous actions, why the American refusal to indi-Now the second question one relative. She said yes but we are not all presidents, are we? were carrying ont separate bomb- cate that Syria and Iran are, at

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

store American economic and po- only the clogged jails and hospitals. litical strength. A strong America The problem waits for all of us, in a

the billions now spent uselessly can DOV SELTZER. be put into the service of therapeu

every country; now, as never be-Legalizing Drugs fore, is the moment to tap this. BRENDA GAEL MCSWEENEY.

Executive Coordinator, United Nations Volunteers/UNDP. Geneva

munities that Mr. Rosenthal pression in Burma: Regarding America: The Would-Be Third Man Fears Economic Capraises. But as he himself concedes, lamity" (Opinion, March 30) by H. Ross Perot:

drug problem. So what will? Mr. Rosenthal ridicules the no-What a pity that America's polit-ical system cannot seem to permit a by the billions spent ineffectually through the years and by the conman like H. Ross Perot to become president. Each of his remarks tinning spread of drug use, we will

less the enormous profit is taken ceaseful and honest businesspeople pushers - will collapse,

like Mr. Perot — people who are There is no proof that legaliza-not hungry for money or power, tion would increase drug use. Even and who are willing to dedicate a now, anybody who wants drogs few years of their lives (perhaps on gets them, if necessary by their or

means prosperity and hope for the dark side street, in the subway, world: a weak, depressed America even in broad daylight. Once this problem is corrected, means disaster for all.

Rome. communities, whose lack of funds Mr. Rosenthal deplores.

Regarding "The Drug Problem Needs Attention" (Opinion, March 14) by A. M. Rosenthal: Silence Over Burma Indeed it does, and that is no criticism of the therapeutic com-Regarding recent comments on re-

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touches on the real reasons for not rid ourselves of this horror un-

-I only hope that the next presi- out of drugs. Once that is done, the dent will have the courage and in- worldwide drug mafia - from mulspiration to call on talented, suc- timillionaire bosses to small-time

a symbolic \$1 salary) to help re- prostitution. The problem is not

OUR INTELLIGENCE SAYS IF WE MAKE IT THROUGH THE PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN. WE'RE PROBABLY SAFE FOR ANOTHER 4 YEARS ...

CLAREMONT, California — home to go to school. 1 had not found any way to talk about it with two years I took my sore muscles down to a hot tub at the ski resort I fought with and ignored. Then a was visiting, I stepped in for a long, friend of a friend had come up to was visiting. I stepped in for a long, hot soak alone. A few minutes later I was joined

by a lean, muscular man in his early 20s, with a shoulder tattoo shaped

The Talk in the Hot Tub

Was of Distant Worlds

By Nancy Bekavac

MEANWHILE

Clearly, he had found a bond and an understanding oo one else could give him. like an anchor. We chatted and I got around to asking him if he was a me," he said. "I can't help it." student on spring break. He said, "Yes. I just got out of the Marine me, I always think of Vietnam Corps and I'm in junior college." "Oh," I said, "Were you in the

manure. And fish sauce. Gulf?" Looking down, be said: "It's die-"Yes," he said, a little flatly. sel fumes that remind me. One "Where were you stationed?" night when I was driving home I "A couple of places. First we were near a city in the north, then they moved us back to the ships. Then I was at a forward firebase, Lonesome Dove."

"So you were with an artillery unit?

"No, a gunship crew." "Hueys?" Cobras. I was a door gunner."

"Did you see any combat?" "Yes." Again, flat with a little intake of breath. "Out over the highway?" "Yes." Softly. "I don't like to

talk about it. But how do you know about Hueys and Cobras?" Exactly. What's a middle-aged woman in a hot tub doing talking about Hueys? Or firepower? Long ago and far away, in a war that was ending as this man was being born, I had been a reporter in Vietnam, And I had asked those questions of other marines, with shaved heads and "Semper Fi" tattoos, who answered with the same

resigned puzzlement. I tried to explain, I tried to ask him questions, but mostly he wanted me to talk about Vietnam, about what it was like. "It's funny talking about this with you," he said. "I can't talk to

my classmates. Or even my brother, or the folks I'm here with. They all seem so young and so irresponsible. I just can't talk to them." Loodon

Sarah Standal Street

passed this Saab on the highway. It was on fire. And it all came back." There it is, as the marines used to say. Car wrecks that pull you back to a war, another country. We chatted a little more and he said: "Will I get over it? Why can't I just forget it?" 'Yoo wouldn't want to be the

kind of man who just forgets it," I said. "You'll remember. Not all the time, every day. But you'll carry it with you." I knew I was talking mostly to

my classmates, whom 1 alternately

me in the library. He had been with

Stars and Stripes; he understood.

The young man said he had one

"Sometimes things just remind

"Right," I said. "Like smells. For

when I smell charcoal fires and

From then on I had an ally.

friend, a Victnam veteran.

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myself. Vietnam is somewhere in the core of me, like a sounding board tuned to one low chord. It is some-thing I share with some of my generation; even we talk about it carefully. Each generation has its war. And each generation thinks it will be the last to have one.

Your war stays with you, part of how you see the world.

The young man wondered whether there is something wrong with him, with his sense of suspension. I tell him not to worry, it is like this with every returning soldier.

In Vietnam the return was called "going back to the world." As though the war were another planet, another world. Which it was,

The writer is president of Scripps College, She contributed this com-



ry has left them disillusiooed. In the 19th century, the colonial Brit-President George Bush not done or said anything to stop the madmen? Ignoring these atrocities is tantaish betrayed their solemn promises and incorporated Tswana lands mount to condoning them. into South Africa. When it suited M. SAKWAR, Tokyo.

What the Tswanas Want Regarding "A Bit of Solace for the Afrikaner" (Meanwhile, March 25):

no wish to be "forced to assimilate"

into the greater nation. "Americans, more than most, should understand

that," he concludes. other parts of the world.

Pretoria to restore the Tswanas' independence, in the mid-'70s, only half the former lands were returned. No wonder Tswanas prefer to decide their own future. Who can blame them?

In his original and perceptive article, Peter Honey says that two non-white groups, the Zulus in Natal and the Tswanas in Bophuthatswana,

He is right. These are also the ANTHONY McCALL-JUDSON. sentiments of so many minorities in As for the Tswanas, recent histo-

Incidentally, the Tswanas' wish

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the very least, guilty accomplices?

Sometimes relatives of the 270 Pan Am victims ask if Mr. Bush is

The New York Times.

The Christian Science Monitor Los Angeles Times Syndicate

The military junta of Burma has now turned its brutal attention to the poor Muslims in the coastal region of Arakan. This in itself is not surprising. What is surprising is the deafening quiet of the leaders of the "new world order." Is it based on

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gent," does it? Nor does the Zulns'. It is just that no one has shown much interest in what we want. Our view is that the ballot box should decide our future, oot ideologues doing deals in smoke-filled rooms.

Foreign Minister of India Resigns **Amid Allegations in Bribery Case**

GENERAL NEWS

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW DELHI --- Foreign Minister Madhavsinh Solanki resigned Tuesday over allegations that he tried to stall an investigation into the Bofors bribery scandal, which tainted the administration of former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi.

Parliamentary Affairs Minister Ghulam Nabi Azad announced in the Lok Sabha, the lower house, that Mr. Solanki had submitted his resignation to Prime Minister P. V. Narasimha Rao.

The resignation letter, in which Mr. Solanki accepted, "moral responsibility" for his conduct, was forwarded to President Ramas-

wamy Venkataraman, which meant it had been accepted. Minister Rene Felber in January that gave details of the case. Mr. Solanki was strongly criti-Mr. Solanki said be kept no copy of the note. Opposition members cized in Parliament this week, accused of asking Swiss authorities to go slow in determining the owners asserted that he had advised Swiss

authorities to slow down investigaof secret bank accounts into which "I now regret that I handed over this note, which has caused embarkickbacks from the Swedish arms manufacturers AB Bofors were paid. Investigations had deter-mined that Bofors had deposited rassment to me and created an avoidable misunderstanding," Mr. about \$53 million into secret Swiss Solanki told Parliament. accounts. The names of the holders

The kickbacks scandal erupted in 1987, when Swedish radio reof the accounts have never been ported that Bofors paid bribes to officials in Mr. Gandhi's govern-The minister said he had handed over a note - from an Indian lawment to secure a \$1.3 billion artilyer whose name he said he could lery contract. (Reuters, UPI, AFP) not remember --- to Swiss Foreign

Will the Messiah Come Now?

publicly disclosed.

By Jackson Diehl hington Post Service

KFAR HABAD, Israel - Twice in the last four years, the Brookiyn-based leader of the ultraorthodox Lubavitcher movement of Judaism, Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson, has tipped the precari-ously balanced scales of Israeli politics decisively toward the right.

Now, as a potentially crucial Israeli election approaches, the 89-year-old rebbe, as the sect's spiritual leader is called, has played a wild card. Several weeks ago, Rabbi Schneerson, who has never set foot in Israel, authorized his followers to build a home for him here, near the red-brick duplicate of his urban Brooklyn headquarters that already appears in the peripheral vision of drivers on the Tel Aviv-Jerusalem highway like a bizarre

For the scores of thousands of the rebbe's followers here and elsewhere around the world, the preparation of the home has a cosmic significance. The reason is simple: For the last several months, Rabbi Schneerson has been publicly predicting the imminent arrival in Israel of the messiah who will redeem Judaism and the world.

The messiah, the rebbe's followers say, is none other than Rabbi Schneerson himself.

And the workd's redemption, they add, could take place as early as next month - perhaps on their leader's 90th birthday, April 14, or at the beginning of Passover, three days later.

The fact that Rabbi Schneerson had a stroke carlier this month seems to have done nothing to dampen these expectations.

In that context, the Israeli elections scheduled for June 23 understandably have little appeal for a movement that just two years ago single-handedly blocked a Labor Party attempt to remove Prime Minister Yitzbak Shamir from office.

"Elections -- you mean if they take place," said Menachem Brod, a spokesmen for the Lubavitchers, whose Hasidic movement goes under the name Habad.

The meaning fervor sweeping this farming community and the ultraorthodox neighborhoods of Jerusaken and Tel Aviv where the Lubavitcher's

followers live may augur --- if nothing else --- a significant change in the power that religious partics wield in Israeli politics.

Before the last general elections in 1988, Rabbi Schneerson ordered his followers to vote en masse for the Agudat Israel religious party, which bolstered its representation in the Knesset, or parliament, from two seats to five.

Overall, religious parties increased their share of the 120-member Knesset from 12 to 18 seats in that election, which made them the kingmakers in a body otherwise deadlocked between the right and

After Rabbi Schneerson blocked a deal between Agudat Israel and the Labor Party leader Shimon Peres in 1990, the Orthodox religious parties joined a rightist government headed by Mr. Shamir, and over the last few years have extracted huge increases in government funding for their private schools and social institutions.

This year, the power of the religious parties seems sure to decline.

Since the last nationwide ballot, about 400,000 overwhelmingly secular Soviet immigrants have poured into the country.

Meanwhile, outside experts are saying that Habad's messiah campaign signals a potential col-lapse in what is probably the world's best-known and most influential ultraorthodox movement.

"If Passover comes and goes without Schneerson revealing himself as the messiah," said the Hebrew University sociologist Menachem Fried-man, "Habad will find itself in a very deep, deep Crisis.

Already, Habad and its leader are under fire from other Orthodox leaders.

Rabbi Eliezer Schach, the 96-year-old leader of the "Lithuanian" school of ultraorthodox thought, recently delivered a blistering public attack on Rabbi Schneerson's predictions and said Schneerson followers were not observant lews.

To counter Habad's advertising campaign here, which features billboards and bumper stickers with the slogan "Prepare for the messiah," Rabbi Schech's adherents have distributed their own bumper sticker: "Prepare for the False Messiah."

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WASHINGTON - The International Monetary Fund praised Russia for its tough economic policy oo Tuesday and took a major step loward making Moscow eliginle to borrow billions of dollars in IMF loans.

The monetary fund's board agreed to give Russia a 3 percent stake when it joins the organizatioo, probably late next month. That would make Russia eligible to borrow about \$4 billioo annually to support its changes.

the monetary fuod's maoaging di-rector, Michel Camoessus, said: ly with its staff in mapping out a "The IMF commends the govern- program to shift the Russian econment of the Russian Federation for omy to capitalism. Russia has freed most prices launching a bold and comprehenfrom government control, allowing

sive economic reform orogram." them to shoot upward. And it has The program represented a maslashed its bloated budget deficit, jor step toward a market economy oarticularly spending on the miliand macroeconomic stabilization. To help buttress the changes, Mr. Carrdessus said.

"If fully implemented, it will lay President George Bush is expected to unveil a major program of supthe foundation for an economic program that the IMF could support on Wednesday. port with its financial resources once Russia becomes a member."

Mr. Bush's plan is likely to include an appeal for congressional passage of a \$12 billion U.S. coouri-Urging Russia to push ahead Although Russia is oot yet a passage of a \$12 billi rapidly to overhaul its economy. member of the monetary fund, butioo to the fund.

RUSSIA: 18 of 20 Regions Sign Treaty of Federation

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treaty negotiations, said, "We man-aged with only minor losses" to persuade the regions to join in.

"Up to this moment, up to this evening, we went down - endless disintegration, a growing rank of prohlems and internal conflicts. Mr. Stankevich said in an interview. "I hope that this is a real turning point - that there was a time to cast stones, and now it is time to gather stones."

Even after the disintegration of the Soviet Union into 15 separate countries, Russia remains the largest nation in the world, its vast territory spanning 11 time zones and holding huge shares of the world's oil, timber, metals and other wealth. It also remains home to more than 100 nationalities, many with their own languages and their own "autonomous" republics. granted in previous years by the Soviet Union in an empty show of respect for ethnic rights.

Now, with central authority collapsing amid ecocomic depression and political confusion, dozens of semiautonomous republics have beeo staking bolder and bolder claims to sovercignty and independeoce, seeking to practice what Communis: authorities hypocritically preached. Even some Siberian leaders have been agitating for secession as part of a Far Eastern

Republic. Other new nations of the former Soviet Union, including Ukraine, Moldova, Azerbaijan and Georgia, face similar challenges within their borders, mirroring the centrifugal forces that tore the Soviet Union apart and leading already in some cases 10 considerable loss of life.

The federation treaty represented an important political victory for Mr. Yeltsin coming on the eve of a session of the Congress of People's Deputies, the nation's supreme legislative body. The Congress, scheduled to convece cext week, is expected to provide a forum for opponeots of Mr. Yeltsin's program of economic reform. counterattack

The treaty was signed Tuesday hy representatives of 18 ethnic re-

regions, districts, nationalities and publics, t0 ethnic districts. I ethnic area - the Jewish Autonomous Region — 49 administrative re-gions and 2 cities. Moscow and SL Petersburg, Two oil-rich regions, the Chechen Republic and Tatarstan, refused to sign. As if to underscore the dangers

inhereot in dissolution, a smallscale civil war resumed Tuesday in the Chechen Republic, a Caucasian region that declared independence in November. Troops opposed to General Dzhokar Dudayev, leader of the hreakaway republic, took control of the local radio and television station after a battle that left one person dead and one wounded, according to local reports.

General Dudayev promptly declared a state of emergency, and Tuesday evening his national guard troops stormed the station with armored personnel carriers and grenade launchers and recaptured it. according to wire reports. Five people were reported killed in the

should remain part of Russia.



Mr. Yeltsin signing the federation treaty Tuesday in the Kremlin.

are demanding a referendum on month, although its leaders have whether the Chechen Republic said they are oot seeking total independence. Senior officials of the Tatarstan approved a referen- republic are in Moscow seeking to

MADRID: Spain Embraces Jews, 500 Years Later

Jews. And as 15th century ad-

vanced, with reform in Northern

lic church, the Jews came under

Many thousands did convert, hut in 1478 the Inquisition was

created with the idea of imposing

religious unity on Spain. With the

church accusing the Jews of prose-

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memorate not only the expulsion of the Jews in 1496, but the flight the Jews but also their Spanish cul-tural, scientific, medical and ecofrom Spain was by far the most disruptive because Jewish communomic legacy. Some Jewish leaders had exnities were larger and more settled

pressed hope that Juan Carlos might use the anniversary to apolothey grew in influence, with Jewish gize for the expulsion, but instead he was more oblique, conceding nancial experts and men of letters that Spain has known moments of "splendor and decadence, periods of profound respect for freedoms and others of intolerance and persecution for political, ideological and religious reasons."

Mr. Herzog evoked this bitter-sweet past before the congregation of Spanish and foreign Jews when he noted that "in our collective memory we recall not only Spain of the Inquisition but also the Spain in which for centuries a magnificent Jewish culture flourished, creating fundamental works of theology, philosophy and hierature." The expulsion edict came after similar orders in England in 1290

31 Nations Vow To Aid Cambodia

The Associated Press

and Isabella to live in separate ar-TOKYO - Representatives of 31 nations have agreed to provide aid for Cambodia as long as a new, cas and in 1483, to leave Andalusia. freely elected government takes ofeviction of the Moslems, the inquisitor-general, Tomás de Torquemafice and peace is sustained, Japa-nese officials said Tuesday. da began demanding the expulsion of the Jews from Spain. Records The agreement came at a twoday meeting to prepare for a con-ference in Tokyo in June to work show that the monarchs were at first reluctant to go that far and publication of the expulsion order cut aid commitments and details of itself was delayed for one month. By early May, though, it was law. Cambodian reconstruction, the Foreign Ministry officials said.

The edict implicity gave Jews the choice of converting or leaving and The United Nations has estimated that Cambodia will need at least \$800 millioo before elections scheduled next year and substansome, including one of the court's principal tax advisers, Abraham Senior, did opt to become Cathotially higher amounts for reconlics. The vast majority of Jews, struction after that.

and in France in 1394 and was however, decided to leave, forced followed by Portugal's eviction of to sell or abandon their property and taking only the belongings they could carry.

Spain turned its back on this past until new interest in its Jewish herihere than anywhere else in Europe. From around the 10th century, tage led to revocation of the expu-sion edict in 1869. During World War II, despite sympathizing with diplomats, jurists, translators, fi-Nazi Germany, the Franco dictatorship also gave refuge to Jewish

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German prime minister Hans Mo-drow was indicted Tuesday on charges of election fraud along with three other former Commanist officials.

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Europe, Apple Pie

Is the National Symbol in Danger?

By Josef Joffe

the blue-and-gold flag of the European Community. But something has happened on the way down from the Massricht summit in December, where the Twelve laid down the timetable for a more

perfect union — above all, a monetary union. The Germans have begin to worry and to waver, and that, coming from the most

tent member in the club, will rattle the tracks more loudly than

Take Herr Gauweiler of Munich, who recently assaulted the

Maastricht process as a "totalitarian dream," while mocking its key component, a common currency by 1999, as "Esperanto money." (The quip goes back to De Ganlle, who jeered that Europe would

(Inc cump goes oack to be Ganlie, who jeered that Europe would end up speaking Volaptik if the Eurocrats had their way). Who is Peter Ganweiler? No Mr. Big, if you compare him to Chancellor Helmut Kohl, who likes to confess that he has only one dream left: "to put the European train on track in such a manner that it will only be able to roll forward."

But then, Mr. Gauweiler is no beer hall politico, either. He is the environment minister of Bavaria and a rising star of the Christian

Social Union, Mr. Kohl's junior partner in Roan. His ambition is to inherit the mantle of the late Franz-Josef Strauss, and he has the

political talent to go with it. To do so, he must first topple Theo

Waigel, the CSU party boss, who is also finance minister in Bonn.

If it is going to be a common currency, he opined, it might just as well be called "Euromark." to be managed by the Eurobank, located — where else? — in Frankfurt. Blips on the screen, you

might say, but these two gentlemen know an issue when they see one. As does Oskar Lafontaine, the once and perhaps future

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• Germany's economic weight is spreading in Eastern Europe despite the misgivings of this "natural market." Page 8.

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• The Europarliament faces the issue of whether reunified Germany

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long slump is not out of the question.

should get more seats.

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And lo, Herr Waigel soon thereafter trimmed his European sails.

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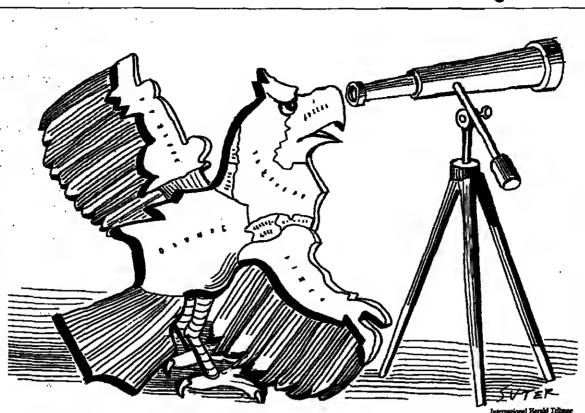
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The Limits of the German Model

By Joseph Fitchett

ERLIN. - Officials in this capital-in-the-making are fond of saying that Germany, now it is unified, has become . . . a European country like any other. Does that normality imply conversely that the rest of Europe is liable to be-

come increasingly like Germany? Other Europeans have learned to doctor their currencies with Germanstyle anti-inflation remedies, but they are only now having to come to grips with the other key parameters of the German model: a decentralized political structure and a doctrinal aversion to government intervention in business.

These tenets are more troubling, partly because they are not always what they seem to be, partiy because they clash with the political cultures of major Euro-

pean Community nations. After admiring the German example from a safe political distance in the • Research funds are flowing generously to Eastern Germany, but the West is also caporting its problems in this area. Page 12. • A decentralized theater characterized by the repertory system offers variety to the public and work to the artists. Page 12. 1980s, the problem of dealing firsthand with Bonn's orthodoxies has been a bruising experience for diplomats, who

found their arms being twisted publicly over recognition of Slovenia and Cro-

Perhaps even more in business, German decision-makers have an ingrained sense that their way is the right one, a pride perhaps understandable in light of their enviable record in managing their economic and political interests.

Ironically, Germans' self-satisfaction does not necessarily mean that they are trying to colonize others. Rarely, says a British diplomat, are Germans "consciously preaching to other countries and companies, but they often sound hegemonic because they are not yet very sensitive to apprehensions about their

way of wielding power." Partly because Germanic thorough ness means taking ideas to logical fulfilment, Germans often seem intimidatingly bent on promoting their political and economic model for Europe --- perhaps more than they actually mean to do.

Currently, Germany's industrial and social market-philosophy is enjoying a flattering flurry of interest on the part of France's ruling Socialists and Brit-

ain's opposition Labor party, which also professes admiration for the German electoral system of proportional representation to ensure a maximum of democratic participation in the quest for a national consensus.

In the longer run, however, the unique leatures of the German model seem unlikely to make much headway in other major EC nations. For example, Germany's vision of a "federal" EC raises hackles because Britain, France, ftaly and Spain all have major problems

ism is rooted in strong decentralization imprinted on postwar German democracy; in four decades, it has produced an equilibrium because a light political superstructure can efficiently manage a highly cohesive, even conformist, soci-

why Germans are able to practice a national style that many foreigners admire but few can emulate For anyone used to working in Paris,

This unique social bedrock explains

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As It Takes Center Stage, **Nation Is Unsure of Role Economic Power Faces the Challenge**

Of Europe's New Political Landscape

By Richard E. Smith

RANKFURT - The triumph of economics over politics at the end of the Cold War has thrust Germany, Europe's economic giant, toward a new role at the center of a Continent striving to But Germans, not to speak of their neigh-bors, are having trouble figuring out what that role should be for a nation that has done so

much to alternately build and destroy the Continent over the past century. At the same time, Germany will be gradually molding the New Enrope in its own image in several key ways. For the present, some Germans seem nostalgic for the easier times and easier choices

before the fall of the Berlin Wall. When Europe's tectonic plates were locked firmly in place by the Iron Curtain, West Germany was able to devote nearly its full attention to methodically creating the Continent's largest economy, the world's largest export machine and one of its most stable curren-

But the revolutions of 1989 have redefined the meaning of power in Europe with arresting speed.

In the East, Mikhail Gorbachev's dismantling of the Berlin Wall and European communism in general has defused the Continent's major political confrontation and opened up an area for economic development that spans 13 time zones.

In the West, Jacques Delors's vision of the European Community looks set to proceed much more rapidly toward economic than po-

Suddenly finding itself with the strongest hand to play in both directions, with the United States inviting it to take a larger role and with the rest of Europe half expecting and half fearing that it will, little wonder that many Germans are confused and hesitant,

"Whatever Germany does, it gets criticized," wails the daily Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung. "The Germans have always done well when they do not use all their weight," cautions the weekly Die Zeit.

In a celebrated survey, poll-takers found that Germans most admired Switzerland as a role model, so tidy, manageable and spart.

"The self-image is trailing behind the reality and behind the perception abroad," said Ekke-hard Seifert, economist with Deutsche Bank,

Not surprisingly, the self-doubts are most clearly visible in the political sphere. A key experience was Bonn's decision to step beyond the indecision of the European Community in regards the Yugoslav quagmire by moving to recognize the breakaway states of Slovenia and Croatia.

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But the storm of controversy in an area where German diplomacy had contributed to violence in both world wars brought into stark relief the dilemmas of any unilateral German political action.

ANS-Dieter Genscher, Germany's long-serving foreign minister, is trying to find economic solutions

to preempt political crises in Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union. Along with other German politicians, he-is encouraging other nations to invest as much as possible to foster the creation of stable democracies so that Germany will not find itself at the front line of chaos or violence in the East. Mr. Genscher has been notably active in

trying to mediate the conflict between Tokyo and Moscow over Russia's possession of the Kuril Islands, the issue which is preventing billions in Japanese aid from flowing to Rus-

But although the Germans may not know what they want or what they can do politically, they know only too well what they want eco-nomically; to build Europe's economy in their own image. The Bundesbank did a good deal to mold the

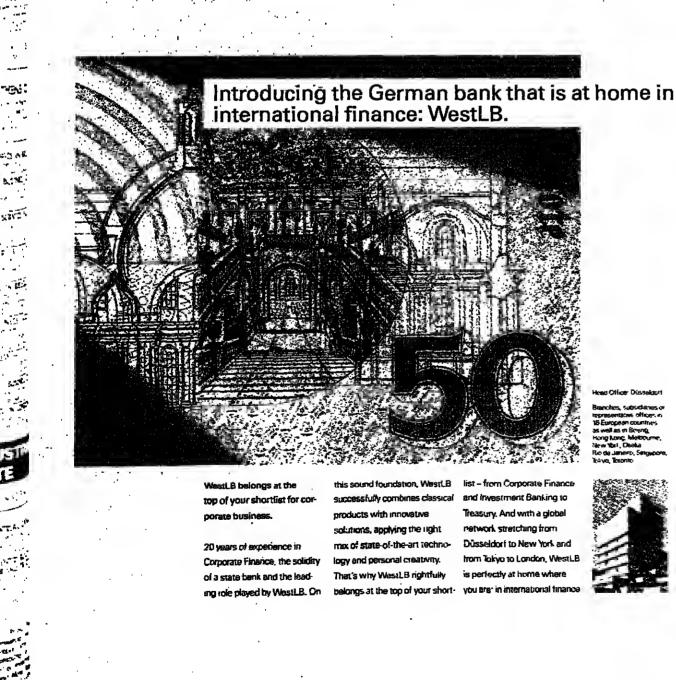
foundations for the planned European Monetary Union and its central bank but this has not prevented the eruption of a lively debate in Germany about the wisdom of economic union with its neighbors.

The main point of contention is the mark, symbol of stability and the passport to postwar prosperity. Horst Köhler, state secretary in the German Finance Ministry, said recently that the mark was no less than "the absolute essence of our political and economic meaning. of our self-confidence."

The boulevard press agrees and has launched volleys of panicked headlines accus-

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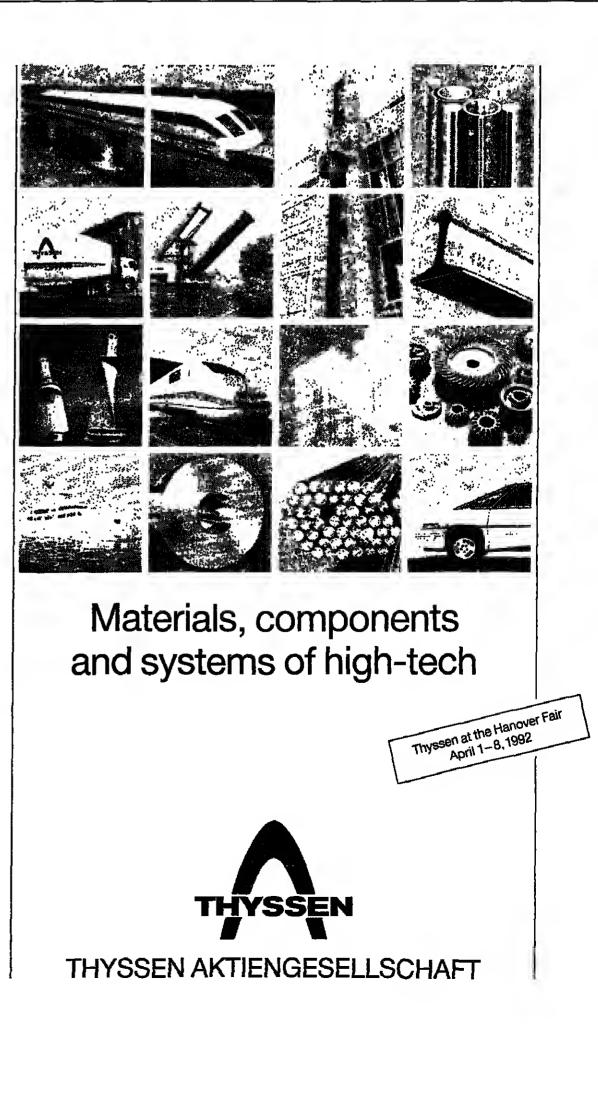
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Economic Weight Spreads in East Europe

ONN - When Chancellor Helmut Kohl went to Prague late in February to sign a friendship treaty with Czechoslovakia's president, Vaclav Havel, it was supposed to signal the end of an era. "We have stood over too many graves and shed too many tears," Mr. Kohl said.

But even as the two leaders were trying to put the bitter memories of World War II be-hind them, some Czechoslovak politicians were expressing growing fears of a new Ger-man invasion — this time, not of tanks and caldie it and a many and industry. soldiers but of money and industry. We have to ask, what is German capital?

Petr Pithart, prime minister of the Czech re-public, queried in demanding a review of plans by Mercedes-Benz AG to acquire two truck manufacturers. "Does it have the same geopolitical context as in the 1930s?"

Whatever the misgivings, however, Germa-ny's expanding business reach into Eastern Europe offers the region its only realistic hope for emerging from the economic disaster left by more than four decades of communist rule.

by more than four decades of communist rule. Indeed, the Czech regional government ap-proved the Mercedes joint venture last week. "These comtries are our neighbors," said Jürgen Oberg, executive director for Eastern Enrope at Siemens AG, the huge Munich-based manufacturer specializing in electrical equipment and electronics. "Germany is the best partner they have in their goal of becom-ing part of a wider Enropean Community. And for us, there is the opportunity for a profitable long-term business relationship." Concentrated most heavily in Czechoslova-

Concentrated most heavily in Czechoslovakia, German economic influence is spreading rapidly throughout Eastern Europe. Out of more than 3,000 joint ventures already estab-lished in Czechoslovakia, more than a third are with German firms, according to Business International, a Vienna-based consulting compa-

in the biggest single deal in Eastern Europe. By that specializes in Eastern Europe. Even more impressive, at least 80 percent of the foreign capital that has entered the econo-my has come from Germany. Volkswagen AG, in the biggest single deal in Eastern Europe since the fall of the Berlin Wall, plans to pour at least \$5.5 billion into building cars in Czechoslovakia through its joint venture with Skoda.

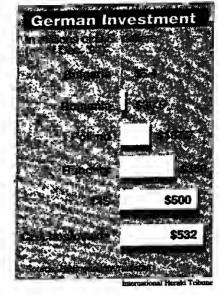
Germany is also the largest foreign investor in Poland, although its stake there is far smaller at only about \$160 million. Indeed, Presi-dent Lech Walesa urges German business to do much more in Poland. Among the East Euro-pean countries that have made significant strides in moving toward capitalism, only Hungary, with slightly more than half its foreign investment coming from U.S. companies, has a widely diversified base of outside money.

It is no surprise that Germany has taken the lead. Germans have played the strongest eco-

more than a century. Siemens, for instance, opened its first foreign outpost in St. Petersburg in 1855, only eight years after the compa-ny was founded.

ny was founded. Even during the Cold War, when much of the business dried up, Germany was the largest Western trading partner of every country with-in the former Soviet empire. The Eastern Com-mittee, an industrial group that helped forge business deals between Germany and the old East bloch has been active for more than 30 East bloc, has been active for more than 30 years. When the communist system collapsed, German bankers and industrialists moved quickly to fill the vacuum.

"It is our natural market," Otto Wolff von Amerongen, chairman of the Eastern Commit-tee, told The Washington Post recently. "In the end, this market will perhaps bring us to the



same position we were in before World War I. Why not?"

For German industry, Eastern Europe is likely to prove a godsend in its effort to main-tain global competitiveness. German labor, among the costliest in the world, is driving business to look for cheaper alternatives. Al-ready, Volkswagen and Daimler-Benz have suggested they cannot afford to build any new factories in Germany.

That raises fears in some circles that the former East bloc will be turned into little more than a low-wage workshop for German business. But despite the well-publicized com-plaints, particularly from Czechoslovakia, about a German economic colonization of Eastern Europe, business executives say they have detected little real resentment so far.

"Siemens has a good name in all these coun-tries," said Mr. Oberg. "That helps."

Eastern Europe is not so much that German companies are investing too much, but that others are investing too little.

"If this area is turning into a kind of German territory, it is because businesses from America. France and the U.K. are not moving faster." said Heinrich Vogel, director of the Institute for East European and Soviet Studies in Cologne.

Throughout the region, governments are try-ing to encourage forcign investment from other Western countries but they have shown little inclination to limit German interest.

The fears of German domination have been eraggerated by certain politicians in hopes of exploiting an issue," said Eberhard von Koerber, an executive vice president for the Swiss-Swedish hybrid, ABB Asea Brown Baveri Ltd. "But in the real world of day-to-day business, it just doesn't play a role."

For now, most of Germany's attention is focused on the immensely expensive task of remification. Some big companies are already putting down roots in Poland, Czechoslovakia and Hungary in particular. But many more are waiting on the sidelines as those nations stra-gle to sort out their own legal systems, establish protections for private property, and develop the banking network and infrastructure necessary to support robust economic growth.

But as German business expands more vig-orously into Eastern Europe, the same dilen-ma that confronts Germany in its backward eastern section will arise in the rest of the region once ruled by the Soviet Union.

Above all, Germans crave stability - both economic and political - among their East European neighbors. But to achieve that stability, paradoxically, Bonn is finding that it must bursue a much more spendthrift economic pol-icy than its cautious burghers are comfortable with. On top of the staggering \$100 billion the government is spending annually in its eastern half, Germany is already by far the largest official donor to Eastern Europe and the resublics of the ex-Soviet Union. There are undoubtedly many extra expenses ahead.

"Germany's bankers face the curse of its generals: a two-front war," explains Walter Russell Mead, senior fellow for international economics at the World Policy Institute in New York. "On the Western front they seek to maintain its reputation for stability and consis-tency that has made the mark what it is. On the Eastern front they must pursue a financial policy that is much more expansionary, even reckless, by traditional West German standards.'

It is a paradox that promises to bedevil Germany for years to come.

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Stiff Medicine for Communism's Orphans

By Richard E. Smith

RANKFURT - The Treuhandanstalt, the trust charged with privatizing most of the land and industry of former East Germany, is gradually entering the short list of four-syllable German words that the rest of the world can pronounce. The tongue-twister (pronounced TROY-hahnt-ahn-shtalt) is becoming a familiar one as it crops up more and more in advertisements in DUDICATIONS AND nars from Saudi Arabia to New York. There are lew newscasters or prime ministers who have not at some point had to wrestle with the name of a body that in less than 15 months has sold some 6,000 companies for 20 billion Deutsche marks (about \$12 billion) and committed the buyers to invest another 120 billion



It is precisely those sorts of lobbies-Ma. Brenel wants to prevent from gaming an enty foothold in Eastern Germany, and she knows that this requires clear-cut and rapid action at the beginning of the process. Some of her haste can also be ascribed to

political realism. Once a regional finance and economics minister, she realizes that a shift to the left in the 1994 elections could severely complicate ber work if the Treuhandaustalt lives much beyond that year.

Many local and regional politicians are al-ready spoiling for a showdown and a goven-

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marks to safeguard a million jobs. Its president, Birgit Breuel, has made clear that she wants to sell quickly as much as she can so that she can basically close shop at the end of 1994.

"Privatization is the best restructuring," she said, summarizing the basic philosophy of an organization that from the beginning has firm-by believed that the private sector can best help East Germans shed communism.

That strategy reached a milestone when the Treuhandanstalt proudly announced recently that it had sold fully half of the companies inherited from the East German regime by the end of January.

This is not to say that the Treuhandanstalt has become any more popular. Feelings among union leaders, politicians in

Eastern Germany and hundreds of thousands of unemployed have ranged from mistrust to resentment to fury as the Treuhandanstalt prescribed its stiff medicine. indeed, the assassination of Ms. Breuel's

predecessor, Detley Rohwedder, has never been clarified

The debate has evolved along classic and familiar lines, pitting proponents of free mar-kets against those pleading for more govern-ment guidance, but rarely have the stakes been so large, with roughly a third of former East Germany's once fully employed work force now without work now without work

IG Metall, Germany's largest union, has steadily lobbied for the creation of a sister



Birgit Breuel

organization to the Treuhandanstalt that would work to restructure firms gradually rather than try to sell them off rapidly.

Horst Wagner, a union leader in the Berlin-Horst Wagner, a union leader in the Berlin-Brandenburg region, said that soon there would be no industrial companies left in his region if the Treuhandanstalt pursues the route of selling off or closing down. Although some Eastern regions such as Saxony and Thuringia are already showing encouraging signs of buoyancy, the more heavily populated smoke-stack areas near Berlin could be stripped of much of their industrial establishment and face severe social problems.

Ms. Breuel says that the union approach would create "two classes" of companies, one forced to play by the tough rules of the private market and the other sheltered by government largesse.

It is not lost on East Germans, of course, that two classes already exist in prosperous Western Germany, where the government has long coddled steelworkers in the Ruhr, shipbuilders in Breasen and farmers everywhere. With the costs of reunification soaring, Eco-nomics Minister Jürgen Möllemann has made dramatic promises to cut back subsidies for these groups but so far has not had much success against their entrenched lobbies.

ment controlled by the Social Democrats in Bonn would be much more sympathetic to union demands for a slower approach.

Wolfgang Roth, economics spokesman for the Social Democrats, has said that the govern-ment is presiding over a "catastrophic develop-ment" that is creating "wide areas of de-industrialization."

At the same time, business leaders are pressuring Ms. Breact to move faster and are warning that any company held too long by the Treuhandanstalt may become suspect. Ms. Breuel's especially active campaign so

far this year has put a strong emphasis on huring foreign investors and on offering novel approaches to privatization. She has actively encouraged Western Germany's large banks to set up funds to adopt various companies in the Trenhaudanstalf's ward and groom them for dependence or the market.

DIH Deutsche Industrie-Holding AG. founded by Deutsche Bank, has looked at dozens of candidates and several other large banks have launched similar vehicles.

Ms. Breuel is also receptive to the participa tion of local governments in the restructuring of companies that are particularly important to them. This broader flexibility may be neces-sary as time passes because many of the com-panies remaining for sale are small and mid-sized firms, which are not so likely to attract the big-ticket insertors the big-ticket investors.

Nevertheless, Treuhandanstalt officials beheve that roughly 70 percent of the companies remaining on its rosters can be groomed for

sale in roughly their present form. "Someday, when people look back at the job of the Trenhandanstalt, they will see it as a model of success for privatization," said Norbert Walter, economist of Deutsche Bank.

Limits of the German Model for Europe

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London or Washington, the most striking Ger-man peculiarity is the absence of a large, pow-erful bureaucracy to represent the national government's interests.

To an almost unimaginable degree com-pared with other major countries, the federal government in Bonn has little machinery for managing the nation's economy, leaving room for the Bundesbank and the commercial banks to handle fiscal and industrial questions. Since local governments handle every issue

that they can, including education and regional development, the federal government controls mainly international questions. The lightness of the German bureaucracy.

rooted in the Germans' fears of the dangers of a centralized and therefore coercive system, has become a problem for the Bonn govern-ment now that Germany is being called upon to assume so many new international responsibilines.

Shying from any machinery that might be abused for overt authoritarianism, Germans therefore rely heavily on consensus, a notion coupled with insistance on clear rules so that everyone knows exactly what is expected.

That consensual approach ensures unity and continuity in a venture and, perhaps even more

importantly, it satisfies an ingrained concern among Germans to eliminate unpredictability. While other nationalities often react defensively to German insistence on signposting every step of the way in a business or diplomatic relationship, the Germans actually are seek-ing for themselves to know where they are going. Once convinced, they demonstrate an almost unshakable confidence in their part-BETS.

Such a mechanical-sounding approach often irritates foreigners as a symptom of German smugness — for example, in their denials of Germany's unavowed industrial policy.

True, it is not set by the government, but business and financial leaders' consensus produces the same results, writes Michel Albert, author of a recent book published in France entitled "Capitalism Against Capitalism." In his view, German industrial groups' pref-

erence for getting long-term investment from banks and insurance companies — and not from the stock market, as Anglo-Saxon compa-nies do — is rooted in a fundamentally different interpretation of the free market concept.

Drawing on the example of insurance, Mr. Albert, who heads one of France's largest state-owned insurance groups, says that Conti-nental Europe conceives of insurance as a collective sharing of overall risks by a limited number of companies. In contrast, Britain.

with its maritime tradition, has numerous, fiercely competitive companies that gamble on risks that they choose. German businesses work cooperatively in a

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way that French and British competitors can only envy, not emulate - and that provides cultural habits that result in effective nontariff barriers. For example, preferential insurance premiums are available to plants that equip themselves with German-made technologies, al-legedly because these systems are known to German actuaries and so the risks can be quantified

Many of these fundamental attitudes may mdergo change, however, as Germany stops being a ward to U.S. innovations in management and to U.S. political protection. These trends, which benefited Germany disproportionately, may have allowed some Germans to overrate their own prowess.

Polls show, for instance, that German opinion rous snow, for instance, that German opinion gives the largest credit for undermining Soviet power and reuniting Germany to West German initiatives, not to U.S. strength and NATO unity. That assumption is likely to need rethink-ing as Germany finds that it has to start provid-ing real leadership.

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"The prevailing mood is very negative."

While Western Germany hovers at the

edge, Eastern Germany remains on its own

track. Mathematically, the two Germanys

have switched roles from last year, when

Western Germany was surging and Eastern

Germany collapsing. This year the East

looks set to grow by roughly 10 percent while

But the numbers are deceptive. They mask

the fact that Eastern Germany is bottoming

out from a trough so deep that a third of the

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But Mr. Weiss cautioned that unemploy

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signs of life continually flicker but never the Bundesbank has raised its leading rates seem to lead to a convincing upswing. Japan eight times over the last two years to postwar mann noted recently in his monthly economic By Richard F. Smith RANKFURT --- A year ago hardly anyone would have predicted a serious slump in Germany's econ-

omy. It was forging shead at a robust growth rate of more than 4 percent, pleasantly surprising even the professional optimists in the ruling coalition government. But since then, it has been nearly all bad

news: a sluggish world economy unable to absorb its usual quota of German exports; angry unious claiming they did not get their full share in Germany's eight previous years of uninterrupted growth; an inflation rate ampassing that in the United States and France; soaring transfers of funds to Eastern THERMONY

A final blow came when East Germans, losing jobs while prices soared, drastically out back spending in the middle of last year. The "reunification effect," which had long kept Western Germany as well as some of its neighbors buoyant in spite of slomping econ-nmies nearly everywhere else, could no long-er give the crucial extra boost.

Now Germany has suffered three quarters of failing growth and a long and deep slump is not out of the question.

German businessmen and politicians are all the more nervous because they have virtually no control over the two factors that might spare Germany a longer-term shump: world economic recovery and low wage de-

Long the world's largest exporter, Germany has always been acutely sensitive to mends in the world economy and it is not surprising that exporters are confused at the moment about their prospects. The U.S. economy, the key to a broader

man's way of life?

is entering a difficult period and most of record levels. Western Europe is struggling with various Since the unions are the Bundesbank's third consecutive year of shrinking profit degrees of sluggishness. Although election-year campaign interoric in the United States, Britain and France tall could force the bank to keep rates at high recent broad assessment of the economy. make it all the more difficult to read the levels for months. prospects, German exporters have little reason at the moment to be optimistic, with

Among other effects, these rates force many of Germany's neighbors to keep their their orders sagging even in such recently own rates high since their currencies are booming sectors as antos and machinery. interlocked with the mark in the grid of the

The grand showdown will come later this spring when IG Metall, the country's largest union representing 3.6 million metal workers, settles into serious negotiations.

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year with one of its weakest performances in years as December's trade surplus of 5.1 billion. Deutsche marks (about \$3 billion) evaporated to only 100 million marks in January and the country posted a record carrent account deficit. At home, the behavior of the unions is

similarly baffling for economic forecasters. Various unions are trying various tacks but the grand showdown will come later this spring when IG Metall, the country's largest union representing 3.6 million metal workers, settles into serious negotiations. The Bundesbank has said that wage settle-

ments should be below 6 percent and some economists say that anything over that barri-er could be the factor that would tip Germa-

global recovery, remains a riddle as new tiements and by the strains of remnification, economist with UBS Phillips & Drew.

work force is effectively unemployed. The Bundesbank estimates that Eastern Germa-The country's export machine started the European Monetary System. The result is that Germany not only provokes their wrath by preventing them from reviving their econ-billion marks from Western Germany this by preventing them from reviving their economies with lower rates, it also effectively cripples the very economies that normally year after drawing 140 billion marks in 1991. Heinrich Weiss, president of the Federal Association of German Industry, noted that private investment is growing in Eastern Germany and that this is the key to longimport the most from Germany and could

help Germany out of its own slump. Economists had long hoped that German rates might be cut as early as this summer but many are getting worried that it may take longer to rein in inflation. term development. He estimated that West German firms are likely to invest more than 30 billion marks in 1992, up from 25 billion longer to rein in inflation.

In the meantime, businessmen are getting more somber. A survey by the German Economic Institute, a leading research center, product-showed recently that 30 of 39 associations But M representing all major industrial and service sectors were pessimistic about 1992. A year earlier only nine had been pessimistic,

The Bundesbank's warnings are not idle. With inflation stoked by previous wage set-With inflation stoked by previous wage set-

Unification Strains'Social Market' Philosophy

This analysis of Germany's social welfare system was written by Robert Gerald Livingston, who directs the American Institute for Contemporary German Studies at Johns Hopkins University. Mr. Livingston was president of the German Marshall Fund of the United States from 1977 to 1981.

ASHINGTON - nership," a concept that was Recession, spiral- anathema to Margaret Thatcher Recession, spiral- anathema to Margaret Thatcher ing unification but is widely influential in Continental Europe nevertheless. It costs, and trade calls for employers' organiza-tions, the unions, and usually union demands for greatly in-creased wage-benefit packages have spotlighted the social side of government to cooperate in managing economic institutions in Germany's social market economy. Will it now be necessary to ways that promote consensual sacrifice or at least limit some of the generous social welfare beneoutcomes.

Responsible for such socialis-tic ideas were less the Social fits that are part of every Ger-Democrats than the Christian Social justice has been a guid-Democrats of the 1950s and ing principle of Germany's eco-1960s. For Chancellor Konrad nomic system since the early days Adenauer's domestie societal of the Federal Republic. It is a principle that is just as finitity anchored in the German consticonsolidation ranked along with international integration into Western institutions, primarily NATO and the Enropean Comtution as democracy and federalism. Article 20 states that Germunity, as the two pillars of postwar Germany. Adenauer repeatmany is "...a democratic and edly overrode the free market Elusive as social justice may be inclinations of his economic min-

Konrad Adenauer structures and property relation-

ships. Three key institutions, referred to as a "magic triangle" by the leading American scholar of Germany's political system, Peter Katzensiein, characterize the comprehensive German welfare state

• The indexed pension system, ister, Ludwig Erhard, and also set up in 1957, and based on a million more people, the East Germans, who had hitherto nev-er paid a pfennig into the funds out of which such programs are

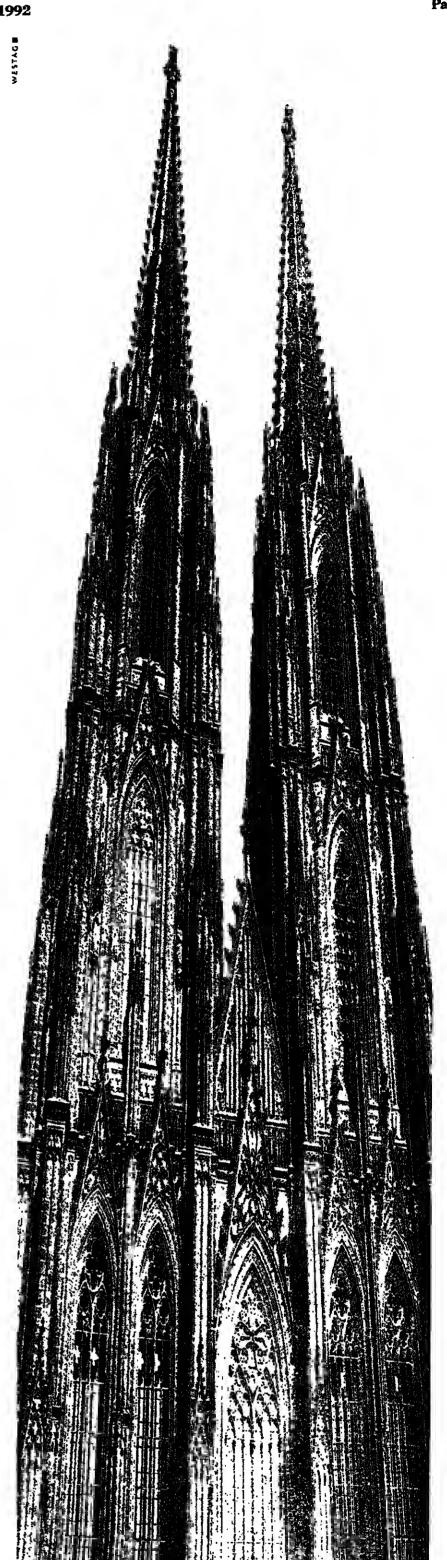
NIFICATION provided the best proof of the priority the German system assigns to social welfare. Unity within the social welfare system in fact actually preceded constitutional union. As soon as the Berlin Wall fell, every one of the bundreds of thousands of East Germans moving west immediately became beneficiaries of the West German social welfare programs, from unemployment benefits to health insurance and

virtually everything in between. Significantly, too, what was first, in February 1990, announced as a forthcoming "eco-nomic and monetary" union, as the first step toward full political union, became within two months a promised "social" union. The economic, monetary and social union went into effect on July 1, 1990, three months before political unification.

also provides the payment to the jobless, have been essential as the East German work force is downsized from 9.5 million at unification to somewhere near five million during this year.

The social and redistributive principles of the social market economy provide the rationale also for the massive transfer of funds from West to East Germany since 1990. The constitution mandates that the federal government try to equalize conditions of life throughout the country. To do this in the former East Germany will require annual transfers of at least 100 billion Deutsche marks (about \$60 billion) until probably the end of the century.

Consequences of implementing such a broad array of social policies in East Germany now as well as in the West are worrisome. Big tax hikes have been required. Government borrowing has skyrocketed. The role of the state, which the Christian Democrats (CDU) and Free Demo-crats (FDP) promised to reduce



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social programs. Catholic social thought origi-nating in Adenauer's Rhineland lay behind the "property obliges" article of the constitution and tem. The constitution (Article 14) expressly obliges those owning property to use it for the common good. The government is realso much of the ensuing social legislation. The intellectual faquired both to protect the weak and to effect a social and regional redistribution of income for the ther of the social market economy, Professor Alfred Müller-Armack of Cologne, regarded it as a "third way" between socialism and laissez-faire capitalism. The The prime objective of the German politico-economic system is not necessarily to chiminate social conflict but to contain it and channel it constructively.

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aim of the system's redistributive elements, as pursued by Adenau-Basic to this end is "social part- er, was to preserve existing social

the budget constraints of his fi-"solidarity pact" between young workers and old retirees. nance ministers to push through • The Social Welfare Act of 1961, which altered the entitlement concept toward providing

assistance to those "temporarily" needing help. • Creation, in 1969, of a highly interventionist labor market poli-cy, which linked assistance to the

unemployed with vocational training and retraining. Present economic strains have arisen in part because, like all other West German institutions, these three began to be applied in their entirety after 1989 to 17

East Germans wanted not only the Deutsche mark, but all the Federal Republic's social welfare benefits as well. Besides unemployment insurance, which antedates the 1950s. it is without doubt the assistance to those East Germans "temporarily" in need and activist labor

policy measures for those laid off that have so far staved off social unrest in the five castern states. Job creation plans and retraining courses administered by the

when they came in a decade ago, has instead ballooned in the last two years. Today, government expenditures are again approaching 52 percent of gross domestic product. But so far, the CDU and the

FDP have been able to heed that social conscience that is an integral element of the Federal Republic's approach to economic policymaking. They understand that Germany's economic success since Adenauer's time not only permitted the social welfare Federal Labor Agency, which state but required it.



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chancellor candidate of the Social Democrats, who has jolted his party by bad-mouthing the Maastricht

Like every other politico, these folks go to party meetings where they have recently gotten an earful about "them" trying to get a hand on "our" Deutsche mark to debauch it with inflationist profiligacy. They also read the opinion polls, which deliver a cantionary tale to Europe-firsters. A recent RAND study had this to report: When it comes to "strengthening the internal market," the German multitudes (85 percent) declare themselves in favor. But only 48 percent opt for "creating a common currency." Ditto for "political union" (only 44 percent) and a "European defense" (40 percent).

Little wonder. For decades, "Europe" was a remote and abstract enterprise whose impact, large as it was, hardly struck the consciousness of Herr Schultz and Fran Müller. "Europe" was tons of paper devot-ed to a common "rape oil order" or an endless succession of summits whose communiques nobody bothered to decipher. Sure, separate and faster channels for EC citizens at Immigration and creme fraiche in the supermarket were nice, but no reason for abandoning Bonn in favor of Brussels.

But Meastricht did hit home. Money is something everybody understands. More important, "our hard Deutsche mark" is probably the only national sym-bol every German, whether left or right, young or old, truly reveres. Given World Wars I and II as well as the sorry record of German democracy in between, there are precious few other sources of pride for 20th-century Germans. If there is nationalism in Germany, it is not Deutschland über alles but Deutsche mark über alles.

The D-mark is an unbroken success story that shines even more brightly when compared to the Reichsmark. Twice in this century savings were wiped out, once in 1923 through hyperinflation and again in 1948, when currency reform left everybody with exactly 40 "new" marks in his pocket. Since then, the D-mark has climbed from 4.2 to the dollar to 1.6, and from 20 marks to the pound to less than 3.

EMU, the acronym for European Monetary EMO, the about in the period of the period of the period of the Bundesbank) surely hope, Germany manages to stay in charge. But why would Frankfurt stay in charge? Today, the Bundesbank enjoys the best of all possible worlds. All of Europe is a de facto Deutsche mark bloc. If Germany, with close to 5 percent inflation, jacks up interest rates, France, with only 3 percent, has to follow. But when 12 nations are at the helm, that exalted position will be lost, no

bank might be. The issue goes deeper still. For decades, "Enrope" has been the German equivalent of motherhood and apple pie — an unassailable mark of political virtue. And a profitable policy, to boot. For a defeated,

discredited country, membership in the European chub was a dream bargain. By giving up small slices of sovereignty, the West Germans gamed the whole pie. as it were: first rehabilitation and respectability, then a community that would cocoon West Germany's resurgence, and finally a commanding voice in the entire enterprise. Economically, the bargain was just as lucrative.

Markets lost in the East were replaced by much richer outlets in the West. They fueled an export-led boon that turned Germany into the Japan of Europe. But now, all these profits have been absorbed. And the Cold War is over. The Russians are going home, and Germany is reunified. The shackles of dependence have fallen away, and for the Germans, "Europe" is no longer Western Europe but the whole Continent.

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Even if the D-Mark were not on the table, the Germans would have taken a harder look at their traditional EC priorities. To give up sovereignty was an easier habit when (West) Germany was a lessthan-sovereign country. But with reunification, the last remnants of the Four Power regime were lifted, and now, self-assertion comes more naturally. It was West Germany's penchant for seeking influence through community that, in many ways, drove the integration venture. Throttle that engine, and the process may well slow down, especially since enlargo-ment, through admission of the former neutrals and then of the East Europeans, will not bolster the EC's unity of purpose.

Perhaps, historians will one day look back at Maastricht as the high point (and turning point) of European integration, when there was nothing more left to integrate than money, taxes, defense and diplomacy - precisely those items, unfortunately, that define the hard core of national sovereignty. At any rate, don't bet on a "United States of Europe" as quickly as you can say "EMU."

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ERLIN --- As the costs of unification prove more of a strain on Berlin's finances than the expense of maintaining a divided city ever did, polincal and business leaders are counting on a major economic expansion to case the pres-

They believe that the German government's decision to move from Bonn to Berlin will attract business and generate tax revenues in a way that was never possible during the Cold War years. But before the city is able to cut its dependence on federal government funds, it is receiving lavish sums to help it pay for the overhaul of East Berlin's rotting infrastructure and the merging of its eastern and western halves into one modern city.

Of its total 1992 budget of 41.88 billion Deutsche marks (about \$25 billion), Berlin will receive 38 percent in subsidies from the German government, raise 13 percent through new borrowing and generate 26 percent through taxes.

Finance Senator Elmar Pieroth said the debt level, one that would be considered irresponsible under normal circumstances, was unavoidable given the magnitude of the job to be done. "We have no other choice," he said in an

interview. "We can't huild the Wall back and make the East stay at the level it is today."

East Berlin's needs range from sewer equipment to telecommunications systems and in-clude just about everything in between. Both East and West Berlin need housing, efficient power generating and distribution equipment, and better road connections to each other and ine rest of Germany.

While it is clear that many improvements have already been made - public transportanon runs efficiently between East and West and the phone lines across town are no longer as impossibly husy as they once were - there remains more work to be done than originally estimated. The Berlin and German governments have already begun negotiations to extend payments from the special German Unity Fund beyond the planned cutoff date of 1995. Also being discussed is the timetable for the federal government's move to Berlin. While Berlin is lobbying for it to take place as soon as possible, the federal government seems to want to postpone both the move and the accompanying bills until the late nineties.

Earlier this year, Bonn even floated a trial ballonn, suggesting some ministries should remain where they are.

The move is more difficult than expected," said Siemens AG Vice President Joachim Putzmann, chief of the electrical and electronics company's Berlin administration. While he is optimistic about Berlin's future, Mr. Putzmann said there are still very few decision-makers in the city and German business needs to see the government back in Berlin before it relocates key people and operations.

The pace of Berlin's expansion will be partially reflected in the growth of the city's taxes, which are targeted to triple to 12.5 billion marks in 1995 from 6.09 billion marks in 1990.

Mr. Pieroth said 4 hillion marks of the increase will come from new economic activity in East Berlin, 3 billion marks from general economic growth and 3 billion marks from the phasing out of the tax breaks granted to West Berlin husiness before unification, when the West German government compensated companies for the disadvantage of their geographic and economic location in the middle of East Ger-

The loss of the tax breaks is proving to have a variety of effects, often depending on the type of business involved. Retailers, who have been flooded with new customers from Eastern Germany, and producers of consumer goods and foodstuffs, who have found it relatively easy to boost their sales in the newly accessible sur-rounding markets, will tend not to suffer.

But other companies, such as the pharmacer tical and chemical giant Schering AG, say prof its are being hit despite an aggressive sales and marketing push into Central and Eastern Europe. The structure of the economy in these countries and the lack of hard currency has complicated our plan to increase sales," said Horst Kramp, a member of Schering's executive board. "In the short term, we can't compensate for our higher costs through increased sales so we must save wherever we can.

Although Schering, the only major German mpany that currently has its headquarters in Berlin, does not plan to cut either jobs or investment, its rationalization program and comparable cost-cutting at other firms has had

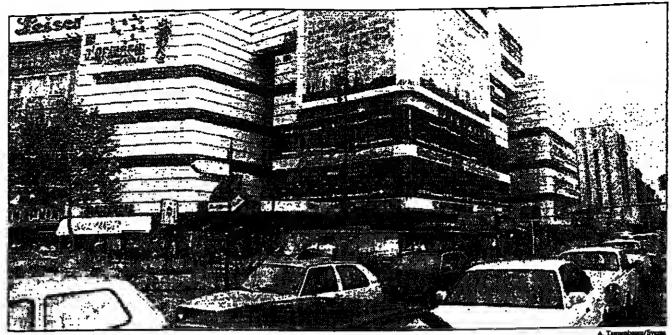
a ripple effect on the Berlin economy. The owner of a small language school who expected business to improve thanks to increased demand from East Berliners keen to learn English has seen any such benefit canceled out as regular corporate customers have cut back on extras.

Small business has also been squeezed by the skyrocketing rates for office rental and the sharply higher costs of land.

LTHOUGH there have been numerous calls for the government to control the rise of property and rental costs both for business and housing, Mr. Pieroth said Berliners must adapt to the prices, which are no higher than in other West German cities.

Despite the greater influence of market forces in both East and West Berlin's economic life, neither business leaders or politicians envisage a day when the city will be able to do entirely without government support. Berlin will always need a certain amount of help to pay for its many expensive cultural and educational institutions. As a consequence of its history as a divided city, Berlin has separate museum systems, universities, national theater companies and opera houses. While some of the museum collections can be merged and a few of the smaller theaters privatized. Berlin believes that in its role as Germany's capital, it is crucial to keep the rest.

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City planners cite Berlin's traffic problems as the biggest task facing them.

Reinstated Capital Struggles to Mop Up

By Conrad de Aenlle

ERLIN - The ecological trauma that Germany's largest city must cope with is among the most acute and widest in scope in Eastern Europe. Berliners must not only mop up after 45 years of environmental neglect under the Soviet-supported regime, they must handle the or-dinary waste and pollution problems of any city of 4 million while also trying to pat its two halves back together.

"Berlin is in one way special." compared with the rest of Eastern Germany, said Patricia Werner, a spokeswoman for the Berlin State Senate's office for the environment and development. "You have so much housing and industry. There is so much soil polluted by oil and other substances. In some cases, we don't know where it is. It's sort of like a bomh.

She offered the example of Thälmann Park. A gas plant was closed in East Berlin around 20 years ago. The huilding was razed, and the toxic chemicals inside were dumped in the soil and covered up.

"Years later, you saw a nice park, but you didn't know what you were walking on," Ms. Werner said, "We did tests and found that the soil was so polluted, the houses around it will have to be taken down." Many residents near the park have complained of feeling ill, she said.

The most egregious examples of industrial pollution in Germany are concentrated in the area north of Leipzig, around Halle and Bitterfeld. Even though some of the worst offenders. such as the Bitterfeld aluminum plant, have been shut down, many others remain open Christian Koth, an official with the Green League ecology group, said in a report on envi-ronmental problems in Eastern Germany. He cited hrown-coal-fired power plants, as well as Bitterfeld's chemical and pesticide facilities.

To the casual observer, Bitterfeld is an awful place. Even now, more than two years after the

Iron Curtain was opened, the sky above the town is hazy on otherwise clear days, and a jaunt through its streets can leave a visitor with a dry, scratchy throat and a desire to leave as quickly as possible.

While Berlin is not a hard-cord industrial region like Bitterfeld, the industry that is there is surrounded by far more people. Cleanup work in Berlin is proceeding, but much of the activity involves taking inventory of the damage and drawing up an ecological blueprint for the years ahead

"There are 6,000 places with environmental poisoning, where chemical or other poisons we damaged the ground," said Klaus Haitzil, a Senate spokesman. "Most of them are in the east of Berlin, around old factories. The problem is there's no plan at the moment on how this damage can be repaired.

It is not even certain how the damage can be assessed. Daudi Werner, an ecological consullargest department store in Continental Europe, has a recycling center in its sixth-floor food pavilions. And at every cashier's desk, customers tant in Berlin who monitors waste sites, said a can pay an extra mark to have their purchases law recently went into effect mandating the cleanup of toxic ground, but "there's no definistuffed in an "environment bag," a cloth sack that presumably is kinder to the planet. tion of what contaminated soil is."

Before any cleanup can begin in earnest, it must be decided whom to send the bill to. "It's very difficult to sell these state-run

plants from former times," Mr. Haitzil said, because the new owners would be responsible for repairing the damage. They're asking that the state repair the damage before they buy the land." That's something the state can hardly afford to do.

There's not so much money here, so we go about it in small steps," said Ms. Werner, the Senate representative. This year the Senate has budgeted 66.5 million Deutsche marks, or about \$40 million, for cleanup work. An additional 100 million marks has been set

aside for city planning activities, such as allevi-ating Berlin's traffic congestion, which officials say may be the biggest task facing them.

To combat auto pollution, Ms. Werner said,

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ing Bonn of "giving away" the mark at Decem-ber's meeting in Maastricht where the treates for political and monetary union were reached. More sophisticated voices also have setions

questions. Oumar Issing, chief of the Bundes bank's economics department, made a point of warning recently that the Maastricht treat ie: may have set out rules that are too lement on inflation control, budget deficits and national

Such deep-seated feelings make it likely that the run-up to monstary union over the comin decade is likely to be marred by fester grudges and nasty outbreaks. The Bundes-bank, statutorily responsible for holding Ger. man inflation low, will crack the whip with high rates and keep forcing others to toe a similar line, giving a taste of the price for Germany's long-envied monetary stability. The postwar German formula has been The postwar original formula has been more than a little shaped by the country's federal structure. Its Länder, or states, have always had considerable autonomy in contrast to the more centralized economies of some other European Community states, notably France.

The run-up to monetary union is likely to be marred by festering grudges.

West Germany's postwar Ordnungpolitik, a formula that minimizes state planning, encour-aged the economy to grow organically within certain clearly set rules. In contrast, the postwar French economy has been marked by sweeping campaigns of dirigisme and industri al planning. Other EC states have found various forme-

las between the extremes but the German model is steadily gaining ground.

"Under pressure from the younger generation, we have been decentralizing and Pans, formerly the heart and hung of the nation, is having to yield power," wrote Eric Le Boncher, economics editor of Le Monde in an essay". about the steady "Germanization" of France-Since Germans hold the strongest cards in a Continent where economic development looks set to be the focus of the 1990s, they are also likely to shape the emerging monetary union more than anyone else.

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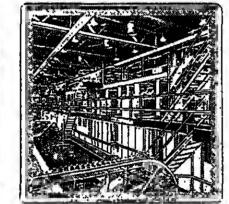
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But their self-image, already fragile and mdeveloped, may unt develop without pain; When Prognos AG, a Swiss research firm, recently polled European executives to ask if Germany was seeking hegemony in Europe, 92 percent of the Germans said no while nearly half of those from other countries said yes.

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the Senate is planning to close the city center to all cars not equipped with catalytic converters, such as Trabants and Wartburgs, the East German smoke bombs on wheels still seen m

the city. Officials are also pressing manufactur-

ers to design new converters to make cars run

cleaner. But corporate Germany has so far not

been especially forthcoming in the ecology

"We have great firms that want to invest

here," Ms. Werner said, "bnt they are playing

with the ministries" to have their projects ap

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Y contrast, authorities are getting plenty of public support, at least in the western half of the city. Ka-

DeWe, a city landmark that is the

Residents also scrupulously practice the un-

savory task of dividing up their garbage. Under what is called the "Berliner Model," Ms. Wer-

ner said, "we have containers concentrated in

the housing areas, one for glass, one for paper,

will be set up for disposal of "green point" items, goods packaged in a more environment-

friendly way, Manufacturers will be forced to

take back the packaging and recycle it; in

What is interesting is that consumers are

willing to buy the green point products. One cynical Berliner said, "It's the one thing Ger-mans don't mind paying more for."

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er specializing in economic and financial topics.

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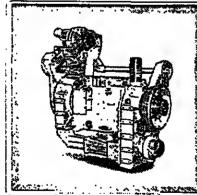
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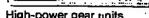


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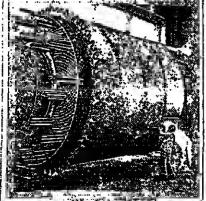


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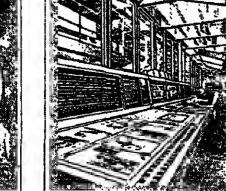




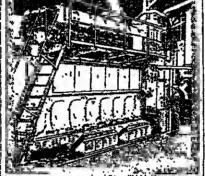
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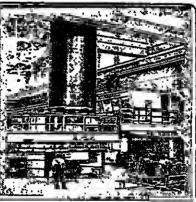
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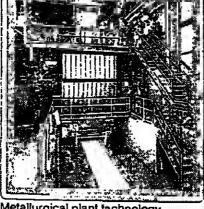
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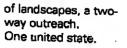




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to wait a little longer before getting addi-tional seats in the 518-member assembly.

vote" that it esponses as a basic democratic

"It looks now like we're in favor of one

man, one vote in South Africa but not in

Europe," said one official of the European

The united Germany still has only 81

members in the Parliament, the same as France, Britain and Italy, despite a popula-

tion far bigger than the other countries.

With the 17 million people of East Germa-

ny, the united Germany now has 79 million people compared to 56 million in France,

and 57 million in both Britain and Italy.

Following unification, Germany was

granted 18 observers from the territory of

the former East Germany, but did not

"It's just inconceivable that there is not

Group in the Parliament, whose 180 mem-

The issue of German seats was slated to

be on the agenda at the summit of EC

leaders in Maastricht, the Netherlands, last

December, but President François Mitter-

rand of France made it clear that he did not

it's not a great worry," said a German diplomat in Brussels. "But the extra seats

are very important for the people in the

eastern part of Germany, in terms of being fully represented at the Community level."

"I think it will eventually be resolved, so

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RUSSELS - Germany, which

has been underrepresented in the

European Parliament since unifi-

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It is difficult to make even a rough guess of the number of Germans developing businesses in the East, and more difficult still to determine how many of those are West Germans. It is estimated that 5,000 Ger--

nans each month move from the West into the five states that made up East Germany, said Wolfgang cremet, a labor economist at the German Institute for Economic Research in Berlin, but there is no way to tell how many are Westemers or returning Easterners. The ones who are forming their own enterprises are desperately

needed. "What we have in Eastern Gernany at this stage are no mediumsized businesses," Mr. Scheremet said. "We have large combines. We need small and medium-sized entrepreneurship. One of the big-gest factors in Eastern Germany is to have a self-financing economy."

We talked about the business. There are signs of that entrepre-neurial sense taking hold. Wolf Weyermann, chairman of Wirtsthe furniture, and I got interest-ed," Mr. Hartge said in an inter-view at the Hotel Stadt Leipzig. chartsjunicen Deutschland, an mization of business people orgai where their firm, Bernhardt Objekt + Design, is doing an overunder 40, said that since the fall of the Wall in late 1989, 50 chapters with 1.000 members have opened in the five Eastern states. While 25 percent of the West German members own their own companies, the Eastern chapters boast an 80 percent rate of business ownership. Of course, it takes more than vision to start a business. It takes

> ment can help. "There are all kinds of programs promoting entrepreneurs, said Bodo Gaw, a spokesman for the federal Economics Ministry in Berlin. A typical one offers lowinterest loans issued by banks and

ND young West Ger-mans like Mr. Hartge, 30, are staking their guaranteed by the government. claims in the former The loans can be for up to 300,000 marks and must be repaid within 10 years. To qualify, the applicant must be under 50. There are other strings attached, as well. "He needs to show educational.

competence," Mr. Gaw explained. Not just anybody can come in "When the East opened in 1989, and say, 'Hello, here I am, I want to open a store, I need money at low interest. That is impossible; one of our partners went to Leipzig to see if we could start up there," she said. "We wanted to he can't open a store and say a get a foothold in the Eastern week later, 'Bye bye.'" Roughly 15 billion marks has

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which Mr. Walther financed with a combination of governmentbacked and conventional bank loans

But government programs do not help everyone. Sosanne Hansch, a 27-year-old Berlin fashion designer, and her partner. Klaus Bergmann, were approved for a loan to start their custom men's wear business, Son, but they turned it down.

"They offered as 300,000 marks but for us it was too much." she said. They had to take either the whole amount or none of it, so they chose the latter. They had other hard decisions

to make, such as where to set up shop. The cost of making a single suit in Berlin was about 1,000 marks. It cost less in East Germany, but the quality was lower.

> N the end, they forsook Germany altogether. Now they have their suits made in Poland, where hourly labor costs 6 marks, instead of 20 marks in Berlin, and the workers have "the old craftsmanship that was lost in the GDR."

Finding skilled help in Eastern Germany is a problem for many business owners.

"You can put money, money, money in the whole of Eastern Ger-many and it won't change any-thing," said Mr. Weyermann, who runs a specialty steel company in Berlin. "You have to train people." In attitude adjustment, for one

eration the long history of social-ism in the GDR," Mr. Scheremet, the economist, explained. "It was

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receive new voting members. additional representation for East Germany," said a spokesman for the Socialist

"You have to take into consid-

not necessary to do hard work. Things have changed; you have to give people time." "Everything's new here, it's a new system," Mr. Hartge agreed.

"It's a big challenge, it depends on

The issue of Germany's representation may be tied into a detailed look at the Parliament in light of the European Community's likely expansion in the next few years. And that worries some members of Parliament, who say the Community is violating the concept of "one person, one

The Maastricht treaty says that the mat-

ter should be considered by the end of

general sentiment for reducing the membership to one per country in order to make the EC Commission more manageable.

The numbers game is expected to be discussed at the upcoming summit of EC leaders in Lisbon in June, but it is not certain that a decision will be made. Due to the likelihood of EC enlargement in the near future, some countries want a comprehensive discussion of the issue rather than just adding 18 new seats for Germany. "We don't think that it should be looked

at as an isolated problem," said a French diplomat in Brussels. "We think there should be a global approach to the issue in light of enlargement, and that requires an in-depth reflection." Parliament officials say that the issue

must be given high priority, however, in order to resolve it in plenty of time for the June 1994 elections to the assembly. Any change in the oumber of seats would have to be ratified by national governments, which can be a time-consuming task. "It must be resolved at Lisbon," said a

1992, along with the issue of how many EC commissioners there should be. There are now 17 commissioners, one for each country plus a second member for France, Italy, Germany, Spain and Britain, but there is a



Bigger German Say in Europarliament?

bility for the Community Some officials say that Mr. Mitterrand's

opposition to considering the issue at the Maastricht summit was tied to the longstanding dispute over where the Parlia-ment should hold its sessions. France wants Strasbourg confirmed as the permanent home of the Parliament's plenary sessions, but most members of the Parliament would prefer to sit in Brussels in order to be closer the the EC's other corridors of power. The French diplomat in Brussels denies such a link.

of the Parliament, said population should not be the only factor in determining a country's representation.

"We consider it necessary to increase the number of scats for Germany, but the equilibrium of the Parliament and the

Parliament official, "It's a matter of credi-

Henri Saby, a French Socialist member

Community must be maintained," he said. EC historians say the problem of Germany's current underrepresentation dates in part to a 1951 meeting between Konrad

Adenauer, the West German chancellor, and Foreign Minister Robert Schuman of France.

"They agreed to a general rule that France would never be underrepresented vis-à-vis Germany in any of the EC institutions," said a spokesman for the Parliament. "But those understandings were made under the assumption of roughly equal populations, and did not consider that East Germany would unite with West Germany.'

The issue of the EC's enlargement is also a very large consideration in the debate over seats in the Parliament, because it is expected that Austria, Sweden and perhaps Finland might be joining the Community by 1995. That would throw the current arithmetic off completely.

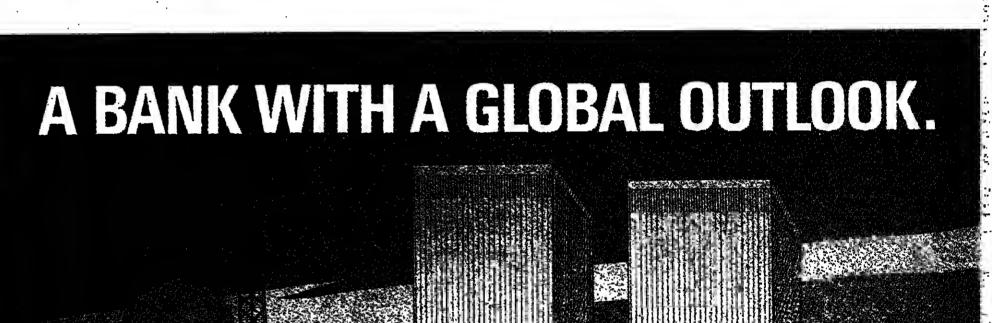
Under the current representation formula, the assembly would have to increase its membership to an unwieldy 1,000 if the EC admitted all the nations of Scandinavia. Eastern Europe and the Balkans, along with some republics of the former Soviet Union.

A report prepared for a parliamentary committee by Karel de Gucht, a Belgian member of the Parliament, contains several different models:

A 570-seat model would give 99 seats to Germany, 86 to France and 87 to both Britain and Italy. Add a few more countries, and the membership would increase to 667 seats, including 20 for Austria, 21 for Sweden, 17 for Switzerland, 13 for Norway and six each for Cyprus and Malta. Czechoslovakia, Poland and Hungary would boost membership to 823, and Turkey would bring the Parliament up to 906

Mr. De Gucht suggests, therefore, that the membership might be reduced right away to 347, including 65 for Germany and 58 each for France, Britain and Italy, The Eastern European countries would boost this oumber to 547.

CHARLES GOLDSMITH reports from Brussels for the International Herald Tri-



hanl of the interior. The company also refurbishes restaurants, schools, senior housing projects, offices and conference tere Revenues this year should be close to 18 million Deutsche marks, or \$11 mallion, he said -not bad for a business bought for 2 million DM less than a year ago. money. That's where the govern-"It's a new situation here, and new opportunities are arising," he continued. "It's kind of like in the

By-Douglas Sutton

AMBURG - With unification having. opened a new market of millions of motorists hungry for Western cars, and with an aggressive drive to capture other East European countries' markets as well, German carmakers would seem to be in a commanding position to continue their strong expansion of recent years.

Still, they are worried, and not just because of prospects of a decline in domestic sales this year as the German economy cools down and the boost in demand fueled by unification loses momentum.

With the nightmare vision of what has happened in Detroit and the shakeout in the American car industry, German carmakers worry that their structures have gotten too flabby and cars are being produced too expensively.

For the time being, German car manufacturers are still coasting down a smooth highway of steady demand fucked by Germany's uni-fication in 1990. The industry had record sales last year of nearly 5 million cars, a 1 percent increase over 1990 and a turnover volume of more than \$130 billion, up 7 percent from the year before.

But in the executive suites at Volkswagen, Opel, Ford, Mer-cedes, and BMW - the top five makes sold in Germany last year nagers know a crunch in the market hes ahead.

The slowdown in the sector has already made itself felt, with the industry reporting in January a 7 percent drop in car production, to 407,900 units. New car registrations in the month were down 1.9 percent to 313,585 units.

What worries the industry most are production costs. According to the German Antomobile Mannfacturers Association (VDA) in Frankfurt in terms of per-unit production costs, German curmakers lost ground to their counterparts in France, Britain, Italy and Spain during the past decade.

"We are producing too expensively," said Erike Emmerich, the president of VDA. She says that German companies "must now think about the reservoir" of ex-

cess labor on their payrolls. Similarly, Eberhard von Knen-heim, the chairman of BMW, recently told the monthly Manager Magazin: "A 180-degree turnabout In cost structures is necessary."

By VDA calculations, hourly wage costs, including extra benelits, make German auto workers the highest-paid in Europe, at roughly \$27 per hour. By comparison. U.S. carworkers make just over \$21 and Japanese workers about \$20.50 per hour, including benefits.

The wage factor has helped create a shift, to German carmakers' disadvantage, in the ratio of the value of cars produced and payroll

In 1980; German cannakers accounted for 42.5 percent of the value of cars produced in the Enropean Community, with a 33 permotive labor force; by 1990, German cannakers were making 44 percent of the value of vehicles produced in the EC, but with a 43 percent share of the automotive payroll, the VDA said.

Gradually, however, the number of German automotive workers is decreasing. After peaking at 787,00 workers in 1991, employment had by this year fallen back to about 777,000. Last year, thanks to strong home.

sales, domestic turnover increased 21 percent to 2.35 million cars, more than enough to offset an 8 percent drop in exports in value terms and 15 percent in unit terms.

But this year, the VDA expects a drop in domestic demand of 12 to 15 percent, and if the German economy keeps slowing, this pre-diction might prove too optimistic, German carmakers are already starting to reduce payrolls as the slowdown approaches. Mercedes, with a current worldwide staff of 238,000 employees, said it is plan-ning to cut its work force by about 20,000 by 1995, while BMW said it would cut its payroll, now at over 74,000, by some 3,000 by the end of the year. VW is also planning cuts, and Ford and Opel are reportedly studying similar measures

Such reductions may not be the entire solution to German car-makers' cost problems, according to some analysis. The Suddentsche Zeitung newspaper in Munich said that the VDA was telling only part of the story when discussing production costs.

The paper noted that German car workers have the highest pro-ductivity in Europe, which in most cases compensated for the perunit cost disadvantages.

"The chief disadvantage of the German automobile industry is not high wages and shorter working hours, but instead the shortcomings and problems in organization and management,"

newspaper said. German companies, admitting that for too long they have relied on the "Made in Germany" tag as an assurance that they can compete on the world's markets, are also saying they have to learn cost-efficient production from the Japanese.

"Manufacturers in Europe need 36 hours to build a car," noted Louis Hughes, the chief executive of Opel. "The Americans need 25 hours, and the Japanese only 17 hours.

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West's Research Funds (and Problems) Shift East

By Steven Dickman

UNICH - On the surface, the restructuring and rejuvenation of science and technology in Eastern Germany after unification appears to be a remarkable success story. In less than two years, the united Germany has dismantled the bloated East most of the money that has poured into German Academy of Sciences, created doz- Eastern Germany so far has been well and ens of new institutes and university research groups, and pumped in millions of dollars based Fraunhofer Society for Applied Reging the East German researchers to a point years ahead of even their envious West German counterparts.

level in the West. The fact that East Germans are still paid 40 percent less, on average, than West Germans leaves even more leeway for bas chosen to allow the East German rethe purchase of new technology.

of West German science are being shifted eastward. The result is that many influential Germans fear that the shift of funds could, paradoxically, burt the competitiveness of the Fraunhofer Institute for Material Me-

gives advice to the government about science make us attractive not just to Germany or policy. Despite these investments, says Mr. even to Europe, but to the entire world," Simon, "I am afraid that we will wake up in

choking universities; a lack of highly quali- 2,000. fied technical personnel for research-andinflexible research institutions unable to adapt to solving current problems. Both Mr. Simon and a broad cross-section

of East German researchers interviewed agree that, in its haste to set up viable structures in the East, Germany has missed an opportunity to reform its own problematic research structures. Mr. Simon said he had 160,000 "no doubt" that Germany's competitiveness would suffer because of the government's :140,000 policies. Even critics like Mr. Simon admit that 120,000

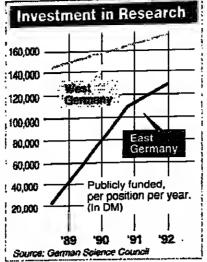
wisely spent. For example, the Munichworth of sophisticated equipment, leapfrog-search bas created 19 research institutes and outstations in the former East Germany. Taking personnel from the now-disbanded academy, the society has tried in fields as Consequently, the level of government diverse as solid-state physics, polymer chem-support for East German scientific institutes istry, cybernetics and optics, to create cen-ters of excellence that can serve as a creative engine for East and West German industry. In an important strategic move, the society

searchers considerably more freedom in their Bnt building up the East has meant cut-backs in the West, and the quick pace of restructuring has meant that all the problems figure in society institutes in the West is 80 Dercent

the entire country. "It seems like we are making the same mistakes all over again," says Dieter Simoo, chaines in Halle praises the initiative as far-mistakes all over again," says Dieter Simoo, chaines in the same again, says Dieter Simoo, chaines again, says Dieter Simoo, chaines again same again, says Dieter Simoo, chaines again same again, says Dieter Simoo, chaines again same again, says Dieter Simoo, chaines again, says Dieter Simoo, chaines again same again, says Dieter Simoo, chaines again same again, says Dieter Simoo, chaines again same again s instakes all over again." says Dieter Simon, ern researchers to do truly innovative on areas like high-energy physics, nuclear chairman of the Cologne-based Science research. "We have a chance," says Mr. safety and cancer research. "Council, an independent organization that Kuna, "to advance into a new field that will ______ Last year, the Ministry of Research and

10 years and find that Germany still has the save only 900 of the academy's original same problems in research and higher educa- 24,000 employees. New research institutes tion, but on a larger scale." These problems include grossly inflated numbers of students

For these researchers, and for the ones development-based industry; and too many that the East German institutions hope to attract from the West, the money already spent is clearly not enough, says Detlef Gan-



tory for biomedical research in East Berlin. "We will have to invest twice as much if we expect to attract a reasonable number of

high-quality people within a reasonable time," says Mr. Ganten. The money problems are not limited to the

Last year, the Ministry of Research and Technology (BMFT) froze the laboratories' nominal budget for at least three years, re-But the Fraunhofer Society managed to sulting in real cuts of 4 percent a year due to inflation.

"BMFT told us our national laboratories would have to compete for project-oriented funds" in order to make up the difference. laments Peter Silberbach, an official at the Science Ministry of North Rhine-Westphaha. But now these project funds are "no where to be seen."

Cutting back the national labs might seem ten, the director of the new national labora- like a blessing in disguise, since they have

long been criticized for being overstaffed and inflexible. But Wilhelm Krull of the Science Council warned that, unless the ministry takes the utmost care in setting priorities, the cuts will hurt the most in the newest and least well-established areas, which are also the most likely to be internationally competitive.

All the researchers interviewed see even larger problems in the area of industrial research. For a country that is a world leader in R&D-based exports, the government has done little to assure a proportional represen-tation of such industry among the new or revamped companies in the East. Although Eastern Germany used to be the

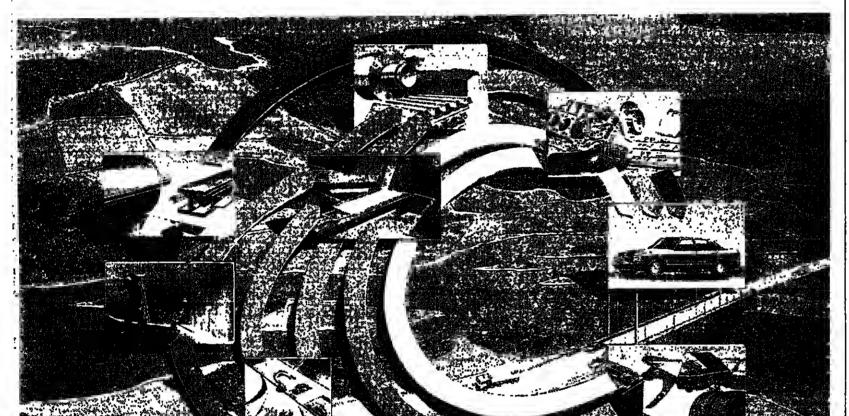
former Soviet bloc's most successful hightech exporter, virtually all of its R&D-based industry has been bankrupted or bought by Western companies, which have shut its research down.

The Kohl government admits that it has so far been disappointed with the level of in-vestment in industry in general, and research-oriented industry in particular, in the eastern part of the country.

Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher has urged the government oot to neglect research-oriented industry in the East. In a recent speech, Mr. Genscher called opon policymakers to answer both parts of a "dou-ble challenge," building up the economy of Eastern Germany on the one hand without neglecting the high-technology challenge of Japan and America oo the other.

Despite all the criticisms, when researchers take a long-term perspective, they tend to be optimistic, especially concerning publicly ded research. "We have to reme fun says Mr. Ganten, "that if we evaluated the universities in the West as nigorously as we have evaluated the East German Academy, half of those universities would be empty overnight."

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The Berlin State Opera on Unter den Linden, one of the city's three opera houses

A Decentralized Theater Life

By David Stevens

NE of the cultural side effects of the remnification of Germany has been the reintegration of the largest and most concentrated system of professional theater of any country in the world.

The numbers alone are impressive. One source reckoned before unification that there were 225 the-aters in West Germany and 80 in East Germany. The weakly newspaper Die Zeit, which prints a full page of each week's theater programs — extensive if not exhaustive — currently lists almost 100 cities and towns, and a total of about 250 theaters. Of these, 58 are opera houses or theaters in smaller cities where musical theater shares the stage with drama. This does oot count eight cities in Die Zeit's listing -four each in Austria and German-speaking Switzerland. In the German-language theater world, the borders are invisible.

For the most part these are Staat (state) or Stadt For the most part these are Shart (state) of Shart (municipal) theaters, subsidized by public funds to the tune of at least half of the hudget, but more likely closer to 75 or 80 percent. There may be the occasion-al uproar over a specific production or a scream from an outraged politician, but there do not seem to be any Jesse Helmses to question the basic commitment. The thruman state of Gamman theater is all the The thriving state of German theater is all the

more remarkable when it is recalled that in 1944 all theaters and festivals throughout the Third Reich were ordered closed and at war's end something like 70 percent of the theaters in Germany had been destroyed

The repertory was in bad shape, too, for virtually oothing written in Germany between 1933 and 1945 was acceptable on a postwar stage. For some time the contemporary repertory was supplied mainly by Swiss playwrights like Friedrich Durrenmatt and Max Frisch or returned exiles like Carl Zuckmayer. During the Nazi period it was Swiss theaters — notably the Zurich Opera, (the world premiere of Alban Berg's "Lulo") and the Zurich Schauspielhaus - that kept aloft the standards of German theater.

Theater is so widespread in German incater. Theater is so widespread in Germany in part because history has made the country politically decentralized. For centuries the idea of nationhood was mainly a linguistic and cultural one. Not even Berlin can match the overall theatrical activity of Paris or London, but there are perhaps a dozen cities in Germany with more to offer than any provincial center in centralized Britain or France.

Another reason is more elusive, but it has to do with a social attitude toward the arts in general. A theater is taken for granted in even relatively small or obscure communities, along with a unified view of theater that allows Shakespeare, Schiller and Goethe to coexist with more recent classics and contempo-

1918, the theaters remained, but supported by the new political structures and the bourgeoise, who accounted for most of the andiences anyway. It is hardly surprising that the theatrical establishment of major cities like Berlin and Munich should confinue, supported by the urban tastes of a large popula-tion, but others cannot be explained without refer-

ence to history. The National Theater in the relatively modest city of Mannheim derives from the cultural ambitions of the prince-electors of the Palatinate. If one of them Karl Theodor, had played his cards right, he proba-bly could have had Mozart as court composer and Schiller as court poet. He blew that, but later, when he inherited the Bavarian throne as well, he redeemen himself somewhat by commissioning Mozart to write 'Idomeneo.'

The Deutsches National Theater of Weimar i celebrated out of all proportion to the significance of the city, merely because Goethe came to town in 1774 and more or less ran the cultural establishment of the ducal court.

Hesse, at one point in history, was broken up by dynastic vagaries into three duchies, as a result of which now Kassel, Darmstadt and Wiesbaden all have a Staatstheater, although none of them matches in size and scope the municipal theaters of Frankfurt, Hesse's metropolis, where the background is purely mercantile.

It was in mercantile Hamburg, too, that the first public (i.e. non-princely) opera house north of the Alps was opened in 1678, the beginning of an exalted tradition. But Bochum, in the industrial Ruhr, had no theatrical history to speak of until after World Warl, yet its playhouse has acquired an enviable reputation under such radical directors as Peter Zadek and Claus Peymann (now the embattled head of Vienna's Burgtheater).

T is oot just the number of theaters in Germa-oy that contributes to the richness of the die, but the amount of work they do. Most, epscially the larger ones, are open 10 months a year or more, performing five to seven nights a week Organizations like the combined municipal theites in Frankfurt include opera, ballet and drama compa-nies, an orchestra (which also gives occasional cacerts), a chorus, substantial acting and singing and dancing troupes, not to mention administrative and backstage personnel

And Germany is the only country where most of the theaters still function on a repertory system, which means the ready availability of a large roster of works and the artists to perform them, as well as an army of subscribers to keep happy. This year, for 2 example, the Cologne Opera has a repertory of 21 =-operas, six of them new productions and four major revivals, and including two cycles of Wagners and its Tanz-Forum dance co repertory of 20 works, two of them new. These are factories for producing theater and, not incidentally, creating jobs. And a look at the rosters shows that German musical theater still makes use of, say, lots of American and English singers and Hun an and Japanese violinist

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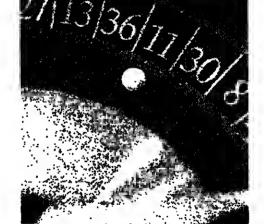
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works, and with musical theater in all its forms. Public theater in Europe in its present form is argely a creature of the 17th century, and until 1871, the country was fragmented into various kingdoms Prussia, Saxony, Bavaria, Württemberg) and dozens of tinhorn principalities and duchies whose rulers modeled their courts on those of the Bourbons or the Habsburgs, building imitation Versailles palaces and patronizing the arts. When the princely life vanished in

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A scene from the television movie "Stompin' at the Savoy," directed by Debbie Allen.

Debbie Allen: Breakthrough Time

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EW YORK - Debbie Allen had one of the most formative experi-ences of her-life when, at 16, after 11 years of training, she anditioned for the North Carolina School of the Arts as a ballet student. When she was asked to demonstrate steps for the other anditioners, the young hlack dancer assumed she was a shoo-in. But she was turned down and advised to pursue jazz. or modern dance; het body was not right for ballet, she was told; it was a familiar observa-

Debbie Allen: "Getting there."

M. Sawyer, is about four young black women from Brooklyn in the 1930s and 40s who dream of love and financial success and spend their evenings off at Harlem's Savoy Ballroom. It is her third television movie.

One test of her readiness will be Sunday's ... broadcast of the CBS television movie, "Stom-She is also director of the hit NBC series "A Different World." She is credited with having kept the program, a "Cosby Show" spinoff about black college students, on the air after its first, unsuccessful season in 1987. It is now pin' at the Savoy," which she directed. Her, boreography was showcased Monday during the Academy Awards program, her second year choreographing the Oscars, A woman who has consciously chosen to deal among the top 20 prime-time shows. She has been working on a Broadway musical and has developed three movie projects. Allen's first taste of formal theater training came at Howard University in Washington. She speat summers at the American Dance Festival in New London, Connecticut, settling on a career as a Broadway performer after graduag black people. I'm a director finding a story at telling it." "Stompin' at the Savoy," written by Beverly a director and performer. There were roles in a director and performer. There were roles in Stompin' at the Savoy, "written by Beverly a director and performer. There were roles in Stompin' at the Savoy, "written by Beverly a director and performer. There were roles in Stompin' at the Savoy, "written by Beverly a director and performer. There were roles in Stompin' at the Savoy, "written by Beverly a director and performer. There were roles in Stompin' at the Savoy, "written by Beverly a director and performer. There were roles in Stompin' at the Savoy, "written by Beverly store store and performer. There were roles in Stompin' at the Savoy, "written by Beverly store sto

movies, among them "The Fish That Saved Pittsburgh" (1979), during the filming of which she met her husband, the basketball star Norm Nixon, and a 1988 network special called "The Debbie Allen Show" that she starred in, directed, produced, co-wrote and choreographed,

Gwen Verdon in "Sweet Charity," that actors had to be free. She learned that television had to be as spontaneous as live theater. She learned to be tough on "A Different World," which she modeled on her own tumultnous years at Howard in the 1960s.

So where is the Hollywood film one might have expected by now of her? Was Warrington Hudlin, president of the Black Filmmakers Foundation and producer of "House Party," accurate when be commented that serism is even more powerful in Hollywood than racism?

"I don't know if it is setism or just that we haven't had the opportunities," she said. Women are said to make small movies about personal issues of limited interest to the general pub-

lic. Allen disagrees. "Thehna & Louise' was really a breakthrough movie. We haven't had enough movies like those great Joan Crawford and Bette Davis films. People went to see them. Hollywood is very much a man's world. We don't have a woman who can green-light a movie or order a TV show. But we do have a lot of women producers. Sometimes I sit in a room and it's full of women. I think we're getting there.

On Record, the Tales of Two Bruces

Springsteen: He's In Deep Trouble; Lenny: He's Clearer Than Ever

Let me make the songs of a nation and I care not who writes her laws. - Andrew Fletcher, 1703

> By Mike Zwerin International Herald Tribune

LONG with the collapse of Communism, there appears to be a crisis of confidence in Democracy. Step back for perspective anywhere, you get a jaundiced eye. Step in the same direction listening to Western pop music, you get diseased ears. Music reflects society.

Heavy metal and rap exist below the subsistence level, like 40 percent of the Russian people. Jazz, democratic classical music, survives on food stamps. The best of traditional rock 'n' roll is said to be Bruce Springsteen, who has just released two new albums -- "Human Touch" and "Lucky Town" -- after a five-year silence. We're in deep trouble.

Listen to either title track and you grasp at straws and sigh - ah, at least we can count on good old Brococe. After two whole sides, howhas also lost his claim to citizens' confidence. They add up to limited variations on the same old songs, familiar four chords, old gambits (though he's been listening to country music and plays better guitar) and worn images.

Each Cole Porter song was different. Willy Nelson sings a succession of songs. A new song by The Beatles was new. Randy Newman's literate commentaries about our decline are tumeful. As were, come to think of it. Brace Springsteen's on "Born to Run."

Rich and a superstar now, he no longer feels qualified to represent the working man with his blue-collar blues. In "Local Hero" he comments on the price of joining the elite: "First they made me the king / Then they made me pope / Then they brought me rope." He wants to build a wall "so high nothing can burn it down" to protect his son ("Souls of the Departed"). Even staying home with the only thing he can count on, his family, doesn't work. In "57 Channels (and Nothin' On)," he loses his lover and shoots his TV "in the blessed name of Elvis." Hardly new insights - Pink Floyd dealt with a wall and vapid TV years ago; and Paul Simon, for one, dealt with Elvis.

HE problem is aggravated because 1 am writing about this and not jazz tenorman Joe Henderson's magnificent new album "Lush Life" (Verve). Joe's not news, while Springsteen is impossible to avoid. For this, we can conveniently blame record company marketing. But it's more than that - we are living in a time of form over content

It's difficult to trash Springsteen. He does his best within the bankrupt form. He's trying to say something. He's certainly likable. We should all have such a sympathetic boss. It's also difficult to avoid the conclusion that rock has become what musicians and journalists strain to find increasingly flowery adjectives and poetic metaphors to avoid admitting. A product. Twenty-four tracks and nothing on.

n The kid who discovered you could get high sniffing airplane glue enters a toy store and says

me a nickel's worth of pencils, the Big Boy tablet, some jujubes, a Tailspin Tommy book — and 2,000 tubes of airplane glue."

In another of his routines now heard clearly thanks to the miracle of digital technology on "The Lenny Bruce Originals" (Fantasy), a two-CD reissue of four LPs of dubious sound, Bruce said: "I'll never use four-letter words for shock value or for a laugh, but if it fits the character

then I want to swing with it." Nowadays, you hear more taboos violated on afternoon soaps and best-selling records than in the routines Bruce was busted for. He liberated the language trying to prove that there are no dirty words, just dirty minds. It isn't the words



Bruce Springsteen

that matter, he said, it's what's between them. However, there's a "missing link," as Bill Cosby puts it: "These poor kids, man, who are doing all the swearing and what-not, they missed the point with Lenny . . . And now you're loaded with a whole hunch of people who are just foul-monthed, scatological, irresponsible, anti-social." These days Bruce's tone of voice and vocabulary seem closer to Bart Simpson than Ice-T. He took forbidden language and subject matter out of the closet because he thought we'd be the better for it - more aware, secure, happy. In the process, they called him "sick."

In a routine called "The Tribunal," Bruce says that what's really "sick" in our society is that teachers in Oklahoma earn a top annual salary of \$6,000 while Zsa Zsa Gabor gets \$50,000 a week in Las Vegas. For a similar "crime," Bruce's heavenly Tribunal sentences "Mister Junior," Sammy Davis Jr., to "30 years in Biloxi."

All the sociological and legal analyses and subsequent tributes tend to make us forget that he was just plain funny. With his mastery of dialect and and amazing car for detail (an agent's "pool isn't in yet but the patio's dry"), he was an astonishing mimic with a wide mastery of accents, textures and argots - a Jewish grand-

to the owner: "Hi. Nice store you got here. Give mother, an Irish priest, a black prison inmate, a junkie, a redneck, a society bandleader, a police officer, a rabbi, the voice of The March of Time and the "white collar drunk . . . hypocritical, clean shaven, buffed nails, whacked out of his skull" talking to a "good legit Gallo wine man."

We also forget that he was hardly playing to hordes in arenas. On the live tracks of these albums, recorded between 1958 and 1960, it is obvious that these "bust-out joints," as he called them, were small and often not full. Sometimes it sounds like only the band's laughing. When he first surfaced in the early '50s, his public was musicians, hartenders, strippers, beatniks and their friends. Then, by word of mouth, friends of friends. During his most creative period, the early 1960s, 400 or 500 was a packed house. By the time he reached millions over major media, he was approaching burnout before death by heroin overdose in 1966.

E was the epitome of "hip." With his wide and cultivated frame of reference, he could certainly be called "far out." He stretched the envelope. The majority never got all of it. At the end of "Religions Incorporated," about a con-vention of religious leaders discussing industry problems, the evangelist Oral Roberts accepts a collect call from the Pope: "What's shakin', baby? ... When ya comin' to the coast? No, nobody knows you're Jewish. . . . And Philiy Joe says hello." Now that's not funny unless you are aware that Philly Joe Jones was Miles Davis's drummer, and a very hip dude indeed. The glossary in the album notes is

welcome "Lenny flaunted Jewish pride," Grover Sales points out in the notes. He goes on to quote Bruce in San Francisco's Jazz Workshop in 1961. It was the only time the club ever booked a comic, he shared the bill with Ben Webster. He said; "If you're from New York and you're Catholic you're still Jewish. If you're from Butte, Montana, and you're Jewish you're still goyisch. The Air Force is Jewish, the Marine Corps is dangerous goyisch. . . . Eddie Can-tor is goyisch. George Jessel is goyisch.

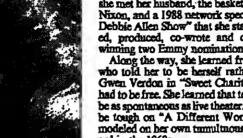
... Ben Webster is very Jewish. I've got an uncle who looks exactly like Ben Webster." (Two nights later he was arrested for using the vernacular for fellatio. Meryl Streep used the same word in "Sophie's Choice," a role that won her an Oscar in 1982.)

In "How to Relax Your Colored Friends at Parties." Bruce assumes a drunken WASP persona making small talk with a bourgeois hlack guest in a neighbor's house. He begins with tact: "That Joe Louis was a hell of a fighter."

When a customer asks the jinni who minds the candy store after granting the owner's wish for a trip to Atlantic City to "make me a malted," the jinni obliges; "You're a malted."

The 20-minute routine about the sad Borscht Circuit comic who bombs when he gets to play "class house," the London Palladium, is a classic of contemporary storytelling. Dick Gregory, the comedian-turned-social-critic, called Bruce "the eighth wonder of the world. You have to go back to Mark Twain to find anything remotely like him. If they don't kill him, or throw him in jail, he's likely to shake up the whole country.

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winning two Emmy nominations. Along the way, she learned from Bob Fosse, who told her to be herself rather than mimic

being pigeonholed. "Certainly, my blackness has shaped my experience, my passion, my pain. But I'm an artist, and I would like to be tome for an extension of The second second for s Caller the state Was looked at as an artist. "Stompin" is a powerful, engaging story. I'm not a black director direct-ing black people. I'm a director finding a story and telling is " Tim Fortari da tar a reaga AND DESCRIPTION THE AN TUNIOR, LAST M. and telling it Bing sama land a lara dittert

words, but Allen looks back on them as inspir-ing. "She wouldn't allow me to feel self-pity."

Today, at 42, she has proved herself on

Broadway, in film and in television as a dancer.

actor, singer, choreographer, director, writer

and producer, among the very few black women on the verge of breaking through as a director

of a major studio film.

Suddenly meditative, she reaches back to her early love for an analogy. "Dance is about rhythm and time. Our lifetime is very small in the bigger scheme. That is not to say we shouldn't push. But we're getting somewhere. I think we have to keep a positive attitude and

The Fringe Looks Back to Midcentury

to come to terms with the talkies

By Sheridan Morley ational Heraid Tribund

ONDON - Theatrical history moves in mysteri-ous ways. While the commercial West End resohtely turns its back on the wellmade dramas of the midcentury. that were once its lifeblood, it is left to the London fringe to bring them back to an often intriguing afterlife and a potentially new andience. Sam Walters's splendid new Or-

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ange Tree in Richmond, is reviving "The Dark River" in tribute to the playwright Rodney Ackland, who died in December at 83 after decades of professional neglect. He was once described as the English Chekhov," and "The Dark River" s no less than a Thames-side "Cherry Orchard," set at the time of the Spanish Civil War but looking ahead to the world war that would come in only two years. Its characters, save one, have resolutely refused to move out of the 1920s or to consider the coming of the 1940s, Time-locked and timewarped in the late 30s of their lives and the century, they are used by Ackland, sometimes rather heavyhandedly, as symbols of their country's passion for the past and its terror of the future.

personal and national pasts. It is also a passionate play about people living in the mins of privi-lege and on the verge of temple Other playwrights had of course been here before: Mangham in "For Services Rendered," Coward in his

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almost unknown "Post Morten," things but unable to take any of the Priestley in his "time plays," all necessary precantions. Sam Wal-looked at this soft underbelly of ters gives it a powerhouse produchome-county nostalsia, and all con- tion that only reinforces the sense cluded that the state of the nation of shame and regret at the failure of was distinctly unhealthy. But those the National or virtually any other who, like them and Rattigan, want-theater in this country to give Ack-ed successful Shaftesbury Avenue land the revivals that were his due careers, learned to coat their cyni- in his long lifetime. cism or despair with a vencer of drawing-room comedy; Ackland never did, which caplains his neglect and the bitterness that links him to

NID Bagnold, whose "The Chair Garden" is at the King's Head in Is-lington more than 30 John Whiting, but few others. His characters are all experts at years after it was first seen on

stopping the clock: the old teacher (Stephanic Cole) who acts as land-Broadway with Gladys Cooper and in London with Edith Evans, had lady indeed turns off the hall clock rather more commercial luck in as the play begins. Her star pupil (Belinda Lang) a failed ballerina, that she never demanded too much of her audiences or her producers. spends the rest of the evening re-jecting one lover (Malcolm Sin-clair) who has seen the future and This is at one level a country-house mystery about a murderess who returns as governess to an unruly wishes to build air-raid shelters, for child. It is also a weird and won another (John Hudson) who has drous mix of Agatha Christie, J. M. Barrie and Frederick Lonsdale, been unable to leave his schooldays or accept any adult responsibilities. The chalk garden can be seen as a metaphor for England, and the Their one outside visitor, Edmund Reade (Don Fellows) is a thinly veiled but savagely funny portrait of D. W. Griffith, unable

people who come to tend and inhabit it as the direct descendants of those assembled by George Ber-nard Shaw in "Heartbreak House." Borgeson and Adam Long.

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and still desperately reviving his classic silents for a new andience that wishes only to giggle at their apparent inadequacies. All Ack-PHINE land's people are clinging to the dead, and "The Dark River" is ultimately about the malign power of PARIS 17% PARS 1st AUBENGE DE FRANCE CHEZ RED CARR'S nnais bistro, traditional Franch cool daily distres. 190 bis, bid. Pennire. Tel., 4574 20.48. - Bedrawert - Worst Web Franch and Irish cooking. , rue du Mort Thabar, Tel. 42.60.60.26. PARIS 6th WAGON 7 whensic "Orient Spress" corridge. Busin YUGARAJ lunches, intendie dimens, Jazz codstail or stursdays. Closed on Monday, Saturday Of all the indian restaurants, this is by far the best & most authentic, [GAULT-MILAU, 14, rue Dauphine, Telu 43,26,44,97]. Closed Monmorning and Sunday morning. 7, nos Bournault. Tel.: 42/93 41 57. 20ME PARS 75 DA MEO PATACCA THOUMEUX a Rest, formas for ha boot, music narcialities of the South-West. Confit de mard & cassocies ou confit de conord. & foldore, 00153 Rome, Piezza de Mercani 30. Tel: 065816196, 5892193. For: 582552. Open everyday, 79 r. S.-Daninique, Tel (1) 47 05 49 75, Near Invalides Terminal. VIENNA PARIS 15th KERVANSARAY Turtish & Int'l specialities, lobater bor, bes seafood restaurant, 1st floor. Mahlerstr. 9. LE WESTERN Tel: 5128843, Air conditioned, 80 m. Opera. Noon3 pm. & 6 pm.-1 are, except Sunday. Open holdays.

But time has not been kind to "The Chalk Garden," and it is woe-fully unsuited to the confines of a pub theater. Constance Cummings achieves the right degree of loony grandeur as the old chatclaine, Jean Marsh is suitably sinister as the governess and Robert Flemyng has the correct air of quirky, absent minded authority as the judge. But in cutting and reshaping the play to fit a small stage and a two-act structure, the director Mark Ray ment has done no service to a script that demands at least the Theatre Royal, Haymarket.

At the Arts, the three-man Reduced Shakespeare Company from the United States is performing its mini-Bardic cabaret routines, in which all 35 plays of Shakespeare are acted in 90 minutes, with "Hamlet" done backward in 90 seconds and "Titus Andronicus" as a television cooking show.

Student pranks like this work well enough late at night on festival fringes, but central London the atergoers are apt to feel a little



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MEDIA MARKETS

Mega-Station Cable Poses Threat to Video Industry

By Peter M. Nichols New York Times Service

T EW YORK - With the start-up of Quantum, Time Warner's 150-channel cable-television system in New York, the home-video industry is focusing much more intensely on a question that it has faced for years: Will the advent of vasily expanded cable systems and other technol-ogies mean the end of the videocassette and the video store? The answer to that, several analysts say, is no, at least for now and pechaps never for the strongest video stores. "By the mid-90s, the stores will have to confront more competi-

tion from pay-per-view for hit titles, but it's certainly not a killer for the video business," said Craig Bibb, an entertainmentindustry analyst at Paine Webber.

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In the next few years, tech-nologies like digital compression and fiber-optic transmission lines will enable cable operators, and possibly the telephone companies, to transmit hundreds of chan-

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channels. nels. Eventually, they may enable pay-per-view systems to deliver a huge number of movies to homes.

Digital compression uses various computerized techniques to squeeze three to 10 programs into a single channel. The technology, cable executives say, will be ready by the middle of the decade. But to install new digital systems, the carriers must replace the cable equipment in every home. That is likely to be a costly process that will continue well into the next century. Pay-per-view television has been around since the late 1970s. According to Paul Kagan Associates, a media research company in Carmel, California, 15.2 million of the 54.1 million American households with cable television can receive pay-per-view mov-ies. To date, however, programming has been limited. Time Warner's Quantum system is a preview of the competi-

tion that video stores may face from pay-per-view services one day. Since December, the company said, its Brooklyn-Queens Cable has installed Quantum in about 2,500 homes in the Whitestone and Bellerose sections of Queens. ...

F QUANTUM'S 150 channels, about 55 deliver a choice of 17 movies around the clock. The April schedule lists six hit movies - including "Boyz N the Hood," "The Doctor" and "Dead Again" - which start every half-hour and cost \$3.95. Other categories include children's, action, art and foreign and adult movies.

These 55 channels are what we call bringing a video store into your home," said Richard Aurelio, the president of Time Warner Cable's New York group. "It's a virtual video-ondemand service."

The term "video on demand" implies that viewers would be able to order up any movie, any time. "Video on demand is what the pay-per-view operator would like you to think he's offering, but he's not," Mr. Bibb said. "The time frame is 10 years away.

As such, many video stores plan to continue doing what they think they do best: dispensing videocassettes in enticing pack-ages, recommending films, and, above all, allowing their customers to browse for movies, which they cannot do on cable systems. Cable, they add, may be fine for the top 10 hit movies, but it offers a very small selection of other titles.

"In video stores, a lot of movies get exposed that otherwise. would never get seen," said Don Rosenberg, executive vice president of the Video Software Dealers Association, an industry trade group. "I don't care how many titles you offer on a pay-perview system. If someone can't touch them and feel them, or talk to someone who can say, I saw that — it's a good movie, it's never going to get rented on that system."

Mr. Rosenberg also emphasized another benefit of watching a novid on videocassette: the tape can be stopped and started, as

U.S. Open for Unsubsidized Steel as Talks Fail

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

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GENEVA - The U.S. steel market will be open to all suppliers after international trade talks failed to extend ntary export restraints on Tuesday, but Washington is expected to use an arsenal of legal weapons to combat sales by subsidized producers.

The failure of 36 countries to conclude a multilateral steel agreement echoed a dispute between the United States and the European Community, Japan and South Korea at the word trade talks under the anspices of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. The steel nego-tiations took place at the GATT headquarters in Geneva but were technically separate from the Uruguay Round of talks to liberalize world trade.

The crux of the steel dispute was subsidies. Rufus Yerza, deputy U.S. trade representative and chairman of the steel negotiations, indicated other countries tried to put too tight a box around American trade laws that allow anti-dumping

duties and countervailing duties on subsidized goods. The EC, Japan and South Korea wanted the accord to restrict U.S. anti-dumping duties. In the GATT talks, these three have been the most adamanl about protecting their farmers with subsidies.

"We cannot accept an agreement that lacks meaningful disciplines over subsidy practices and unduly restricts our

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Signs of American Steel's Recovery

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ability to use domestic trade laws to counter those practices," Mr. Yerxa said.

The EC and many other nations have criticized the United States in various contexts for taking unilateral trade action, but GATT rules permit anti-dumping and countervailing duties.

An EC negotiator accused the U.S. delegation of taking ever-tougher positions in recent weeks because of pressure from its big steel companies. "The American position deteriorated day to day," he said.

Another complicating factor was that a number of countries were following the example of Brazil and Hungary in seeking waivers from the agreement to allow them

keep government supports during a transition period. A draft text proposed phasing out import tariffs over 10 years and creation of a body to help eliminate nontariff barriers. It would limit the types of subsidies allowed. The United States had so-called voluntary restraint

agreements whereby other countries agreed to limit exports to 20.2 percent of the U.S. market. Mr. Yerxa confirmed the restraint agreements would expire. This in theory means other countries will be free to export more steel to the United States. But in practice it is likely to mean an increase in retaliatory trade measures

and duties to keep out foreign companies.

Representatives of the U.S. steel industry have already warned that, in the absence of an international accord, they would act against foreign competitors by taking advantage of domestic laws to counter subsidies and dumping.

"Our industry deserves to have some kind of protection against unfair subsidy practices." said ooe U.S. official who did not want to be named. He said U.S. producers were now highly competitive, compared with foreign companies that relied on massive government subsidies.

The official said that, at the international level, subsidies to the steel industry totaled about \$65 billion in the 1980s. World steel trade is worth about \$110 hillion a year. Another argument against an immediate flood of steel into the United States was that many nations have been

unable recently to export all they were allowed, partly due to a weak dollar. Mr. Yerxa said oegotiations would continue but no

schedule was set. "I regret that we have oot achieved our goal for a long-term solution to the problems in this sector," he said.

"I remain convinced that such an agreement to discipline subsidies and market-access harriers in this sector would be in everyone's long-term interest. We should cootinue our efforts." (Reuters, AP, AFP)

Outlook For U.S. Economy Improves New Data Show Depth of Slump In Employment

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By Lawrence Malkin International Herald Tribune

NEW YORK -Key forecasting sauges of consumer confidence and leading economic indicators re-leased Tuesday showed the U.S. economy likely to expand slowly, while a major revision of last year's employment figures indicated it had been in a deeper hole than

originally believed. The Conference Board's confidence index jumped seven points in March, to 54, the largest increase since the Gulf War ended a year ago and temporarily revived consumer optimism. The index has fallen almost every month since then.

The board said that although the 5,000 households it surveyed still had a bleak view of current conditions, there had been some improvement in their expectations for the next six months, and consumers were "markedly less pessimistic" about jobs and business conditions.

Fabien Linden, director of consumer research for the board, said the survey of expectations had an impressive record of forecasting the economy. Reinforced by recent retail-sales data, he said, it seems to demonstrate that the economy is going into a recovery, although "a single month's figure is still too fragile to be a convincing sign."

Similar cantion was expressed about the secood consecutive monthly rise in the Commerce Department's index of leading indicators for February, which rose 0.8 percent after a revised gain of i percent in January. Economists repeated the conventional wisdom that three straight months of increases were necessary to confirm the recovery.

Like Mr. Linden at the Conference Board, Darwin Beck of First Bostoo Corp. focused on retail sales and warned that if they did not continue to improve, "the re-covery will fuzzle."

One sign of improvement in the industrial sector came from the Chicago Purchasing Management Associatioo barometer, which rose slightly in March to 52.8 percent provements in production and new orders this month. The association said the regional index "presents a picture of an economy trying to See ECONOMY, Page 16

By Jonathan P. Hicks New York Times Service gone a transformation in the last decade that has drastically sharpened its competitive position.

that expired Tuesday. American steelmakers have so improved their productivity that the industry now often rivals -

and in some ways outperforms - its competitors in Germany and Japan.

Thanks partly to the reduced value of the dollar, foreign steel shipments into the United States have comeback of the big steelmakers, but so does fallen in recent years to below the limit the govern-

Aviation Officials Fret About Ex-Soviet Airspace

By Michael Richardson International Herald Tribune

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SINGAPORE - Failure of the Commonwealth of dependent States to hold together could severely disrupt international air links between Asia and Eu-

orscipt international air mice between Asia and Ed-rope, aviation officials said Tuesday. If air traffic over the former Soviet states was blocked, it would cause "a tremendous problem" by forcing diversion of many planes to alternative routes, said Tony Laven, regional technical director in the Bangkok office of the International Air Transport Association.

This would add substantial time and costs to flights between East Asia and Europe, and increase already heavy air-traffic congestion in the two alternative air

The Russian federation, in an effort to reassure airlines and aviation authorities, recently said that the 12 states of the CIS had agreed to honor all the air space usage rights and aviation agreements of the Soviet Union. A circular from Moscow said that Commonwealth

members had agreed to "conduct a coordinated civil aviation policy, the most important element of which involves the use of airspace and air traffic control." The message was sent by the Russian transport

ministry to IATA, which has 205 member airlines, and the International Civil Aviation Organization, a United Nations agency. Mr. Laven said that the assurance from Moscow

provided a welcome "breathing space" for many

concerned that continuing ethnic conflict and political discord may lead to the breakup of the Commonwealth, forcing them to negotiate rights for trans-continental overflights with successor states.

John Wakeling, principal assistant secretary of the Hong Kong government's economic services branch, said that the possibility of having to negotiate new

round service for SAS at Heathrow Airport, to which

SAS operates 20 flights a day. "This second investment in ABH cements our stra-

tegic position in the United Kingdom, our most im-

portant market outside Scandinavia," said the SAS

"We anticipate further benefits in the future as

British Midland continues the expansion of its services to Europe," said Michael Bishop, chairman of Airlines

British Midland is trying to expand its international traffic, which now accounts for half of its business.

Mr. Carlzon said the closer links would put SAS and

million last year, up from \$69.6 million in 1990.

president and chairman, Jan Carlzon.

tion tons, or about 8 percent.

"The steel made in the United States is coual in

quality to steel made anywhere in the world now," said James M. Glazebrook, director of General

Electric Co.'s trading operation. "And the industry is now being recognized more and more through-out the world, not only for having top quality, but for being among the best in the world in efficiency.

Trade protectionism gets some credit for the

Yon could never have said that 15 years ago."

Air Traffic Bounces Back Reuters

GENEVA — Air traffic has recovered strongly from depressed Guif War levels, data released Tuesday by the International Air Transport Association show.

The association said passenger traffic on international scheduled services jumped 46 percent last month from February 1991, at the height of the Gulf War, when 25 percent fewer people flew than a year earlier due to fear and economic worries.

IATA, always careful to report the financial difficulties of its 205 member airlines, cautioned that passenger traffic in January-Febru-

domestic competition from low-cost, noounion ment set. And the industry is at its most efficient See STEEL, Page 17

American Firms Ready to Compete Following a Decade of Protection ever, based on the man-hours needed to produce a ton of steel.

NEW YORK — The steel industry, long a symbol of decay in industrial America, has under-Exports, which in the last 20 years have rarely accounted for more than 2 percent of steel shipped from American mills, soared last year to 6.3 mil-

The U.S. government, which has provided a decade of protection from imported steel, has decided not to extend quotas on imported steel

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Many of the cartiers flying between Asia and En-rope have welcomed an assurance from Moscow that they can continue to fly over the former Soviet Union. But officials expressed doubt Tuesday whether the else in the CIS it is a bit difficult to know how long it will last," he added. Airline officials and aviation authorities in Asia are

vital air-traffic agreement would last. Every day, about 100 scheduled passenger flights, nearly all of them nonstop services, fly this route through the Commonwealth's airspace because it is the quickest way to and from East Asia.

Baharuddin Nordin, senior commercial director of Malaysia Airlines, said that use of CIS airspace "contributes significantly to fuel cost savings." Some trans-Pacific flights north of Japan and Korea

aviation arrangements covering CIS airspace was a also pass through the Commonwealth's airspace. major concern.

SAS Raises Stake in 3 U.K. Airlines

The Associated Press

STOCKHOLM -- SAS increased its stake Tuesday in a company that owns three British airlines, creating a strong position in the Scandinavian airline's most important market outside the Nordic countries.

Scandinavian Airlines System will spend £25 million (\$40.5 million) over the next two years to buy 40 percent of the shares in Airlines of Britain Holdings, the parent company for British Midland, Manx Air-lines and Loganair.

SAS already has a 24.9 percent share in Airlines of Britain and has cooperative agreements with the British companies.

the British companies in position for the opening next year of competition in the European airline industry. For example, last July, British Midland took over

Garuda to Buy Planes, Pare Fleet

pointed in January.

Mr. Mulyono told journalists

of Britain

JAKARTA --- The state-owned airline PT Garuda Indonesia annonneed plans Tuesday to halve the size of its fleet but also to renew March 31

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it with an order of new planes estimated to cost about \$4 billion.

A Garuda spokesman said the airfine would buy 41 wide-bodied jets and lease seven others from Boeing Co. of the United States and the European Airbus Industrie consortium.

Airbus A-300/600s, nine Airbus A-330s, 14 Boeing 737-400s and six Boeing 747-400s, and lease three Boeing 747-400s and four Airbus A-3007600s. Mr. Siahaan said the new jets, which would replace aging aircraft,

1998. At the same time, the carrier will reduce the size of its fleet to 48 planes from 97 currently, and its suppliers of planes to two from the current four.

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The spokesman, Jansius Siahaan, said the airline would buy 12

Mr. Siahaan declined to disclose Monday that "the decision to dethe members of a consortium that ploy aircraft from only two manufacturers is expected to reduce our would buy the planes. In the past, operational and maintenance costs the consortium that helped Garuda to achieve higher efficiency." lease several planes included PT

Wage Mulyono, ordered the air-line's expansion program to be re-viewed shortly after he was ap-Garuda reported a profit of \$100

Currently Garuda flies Dutch- Humpuss and PT Bimantara Citra, built Fokker F-27 turboprops and headed by two sons of President F-28 jets, McDonnell Douglas DC- Suharto. (Reuters, AP, AFP)



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Asian and European airlines that were dependent on access to the airspace. "It is an important agreement but like everything

ary was only 10 percent higher than in the like period in 1990. "It's not bad in a recessionary time." said one IATA official. But he pointed to a statement from the IATA director-general, Günter Eser, who said: "It will be some months before the true extent of the recovery can be gauged."

Plants have fed the world and cured its ills since life began. Now we're destroying their principal habitat at the rate of 50 acres every minute.

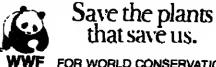
We live on this planet by courtesy of the earth's plant life. Plants protect soils from erosion, regulate the atmosphere, maintain water supplies and prevent deserts forming. Without plants man could not survive.

Yet, we're destroying the tropical rain forests they grow in at the rate of 50 acres a minute making a crisis for ourselves and a bigger one for our children.

What can be done about it? A practical international plant conservation programme is now well under way all around

the world. It is a plan for survival which you can help make a reality by joining the World Wildlife Fund.

We need your voice and financial support. So get in touch with your local WWF office, or send your contribution direct to the World Wildlife Fund at: WWF International, Membership Secretary, World Conservation Centre, 1196 Gland, Switzerland.



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To Our Readers

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CHICAGO (Combined Dispatches) — Sears, Roebuck & Co., the third-biggest U.S. retailer, said Tuesday that it would step up its job. cutting program by eliminating about 2,000 positions within a year while opening more than 100 new stores.

opening more than 100 new stores. The company also said stockholders would vote next month on whether Sears should study the possibility of divesting itself of its financial-services business, which includes Allstate Insurance Co.

financial services business, which increases instantiate Cu-The decision to slash more jobs from the payroll by early 1993 followed an analysis of Sears headquarters that showed the move would save \$10 million this year and \$60 million a year thereafter, the company said in a proxy statement.

Sears also said Tuesday that it had adopted a policy aimed at ensuing that it bought no goods produced by prison labor in China Sears announced the move in a joint statement with the Amaigamated Clothing and Textile Workers Union. As a result of the agreement, the union withdrew a shareholder proposal that would have directed Sears' board to study its buying practices regarding Chinese-made goods. (Reuers, Ap)

Marathon Oil Will Explore in Russia

HOUSTON (AP) - Marathon Oil Co. has agreed with Russian officials to do a feasibility study concerning oil and gas exploration off

Sakhalin Island. Marathon, McDermott International and Mitsui & Co. signed Mon-day what they called a definitive agreement with the Russian Ministry of Fuel and Energy. The companies indicated that they expected the agreement to lead to an exploration program. Marathon previously estimated Sakhalin exploration would cost \$10 billion, making it the biggest agreement ever for Marathon and the most extensive collaboration between foreign energy companies and Russia

IBM Unveils New Operating Software

WHITE PLAINS, New York (Remers) - International Business Machines Corp. rolled out Tuesday its long-awaited OS/2 2.0 operating software for personal computers in a bid to take a share of the \$i billion market

market. IBM said its new software would list for \$195. But under a tiered pricing system, ir will be offered to Windows users at a promotional price of \$49. DOS users can upgrade for \$99. IBM has billed its new operating system as more advanced than the newest and most powerful version of Windows, which Microsoft is expected to introduce next week.

Time Defers \$2.3 Billion Payment

WASHINGTON (Bloomberg) — Time Warner has exercised an op-tion to defer the payment of \$2.3 billion in bank debt as part of its effort to refinance or revise its lending agreements.

The New York entertainment and publishing company is negotiating with bankers to revise the agreements, but no changes have yet been made, according to a form filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Time Warner is seeking a \$7 billion credit line for Time Warner Entertainment, a partnership that the company formed with Toshiba Corp. and C. Itoh & Co. last year.

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Mortgage-Backed Debt: \$99 Billion NEW YORK (Bloomberg) — Mortgage-backed securities issuance surpassed \$99 billion in the first guarter of this year, compared with about \$42.6 billion of mortgage-backed debt underwritten in the year-sgo period, IDD Information Services said Tuesday.

The top 15 underwriters underwrote more than \$97.19 billion of new mortgage-backed sccurities in the first quarter of this year, compared with about \$40.76 billion a year earlier, according to preliminary figures provided by IDD.

Kidder, Peabody retained its No. 1 position by underwriting 490 mortgage-backed issues valued at about \$20.53 billion, compared with \$7.65 billion a year carlier. Salomon Brothers garnered second place, with \$11.3 billion, Lehman Brothers took third, with \$10.9 billion.

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ECONOMY: Outlook Improving

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Compiled by Our Staff From Dispetches which take advantage of discrepan-NEW YORK - Blue-chip cies between stocks and futures. which take advantage of discrepanshort-circuited the rally. stocks wilted under a barrage of Despite some positive economic computer-driven program sales just before the closing bell on Tuesday. data, investors are waiting to see proof of robust growth in the form surrendering most of a moderate of satisfactory corporate earnings for the first quarter. "We are still in rally to close with a minuscule gain. The Dow Jones industrial average edged 0.23 of a point higher, to

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Daily closings of the Dow Jones industrial average

a trendless market and we are going to remain so until we see carnings numbers," said Robert Walberg, analyst at MMS International. The market drew some of its car-

3.235.47, according to early figures ly strength from a report showing improved coosumer confidence. The Conference Board said its con-The blue chips had been up as much as 25 points during the day. Advances led declines by only a few fidence index jumped to 54.0 in March from 47.3 in February. Traders said bond prices, which issues at the close, but the ratio had been even for most of the afternoon. New York Stock Exchange volslipped after the release of the con-

N.Y. Stocks

ume totaled 109.40 million shares, up from 133.98 million on Monday. Most of the aborted blue-chip advance had been attributed to window dressing by big investors. such as mutual funds, on the last they withdrew program sales,

surv bond fell 9/32 point, raising its day of the first quarter. But once yield to 7.97 percent from 7.94. (Bloomherg, UPI, Reuters)

Japan to Cut Discount Rate Renters

TOKYO — The Bank of Japan was expected to cut its official discouot rate before the local fioancial markets opened Wednesday morning, a senior Japanese government official said.

Another government official said the central bank would cut the discount rate by 0.75 perceotage point, to 3.75 percent.

A rate cut had been widely expected, and was seen as a means of helping to boost Japan's economy, which is now showing signs of a slowdown. The rate cut would come just a day after the govrenment adopted an emergency economic package.

Dollar Loses Ground Despite Positive Data

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK - The dollar ended slightly lower Tuesday in light trading despite some moderately positive U.S. economic data.

Reports late Tuesday that Japan would announce Wednesday a 0.75 percentage-point cut in the discount

Foreign Exchange

rate, to 3.75 percent, had little effect, traders said, adding that such a cut was priced into the market.

At the close, the U.S. curreocy was quoted at 1.643 Deutsche marks, down from 1.646 DM at the close Monday, and at 132.750 yen, down from 132.925 yen. The dollar slipped to 1.4985 Swiss frames from 1.5005 francs, and to 5.571 French francs from 5.5815 francs. The British pound ended at \$1.7365, up from \$1.7360.

Market participants said that the dollar was locked in a tight range because most investors were marking time ahead of Friday's U.S. unemployment report for March.

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merce Department reported its Composite Index of Leading Indicators increased 0.8 percent in February. in line with expectations. Meanwhile, the Conference

Board reported consumer confidence rose a larger-than-expected 7 points, to 54, in March,

"The dollar got a little bounce from the leading indicators and coosumer-confideoce reports," said Charles Spence, corporate foreign-exchange manager at First In-terstate Bank of California in Los

panding, only to fall back in the autumn because of widespread But analysis noted that the dollar eased in Europe because expectations of an upturn in the U.S. fears about job security. Economists fear it could happen again if economy may have already been priced into the currency's value. The dollar ended at 1.6420 DM, down from 1.6525 DM, and at employment does not increase. One reason for this Sisyphean pattern is the disclosure by the Bu-133.07 yen, down from 133.60. reau of Labor Statistics that its (UPI, Reuters) monthly statistics last year missed

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These monthly payroll figures, regarded by economists as more significant than the percentage of the labor force that is unemployed. are gathered from reports by companies of how many workers they employ.

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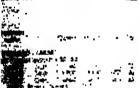
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port limits, American steel compa-nics had given up some rights to battle the pricing practices of foreign steel manufacturers.

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The steel import quotas "have " been an important help to the ini- ticularly the younger ones, have

By Charles Goldsmith than grant the commission new permanent positions." International Herald Tribune

The commission complains BRUSSELS -- In a bid to that member states have recently check the power of the Brussels bureaucracy, national govern-ments are requiring the EC Comdumped many new areas of responsibility on Brussels, but have refused to provide new permission to dilute the ranks of its manent staff to carry out the permanent civil service by turnworkload. The EC executive ing increasingly to outside help. body says it therefore has no Consultants retained on short-

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One Way to Curb EC Bureaucracy:

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The commission, which is

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nent positions, warily eyes the burgeoning number of "exter-

nal" personnel as a threat to the

independence of an agency de-

signed to put EC-wide concerns

"It's really a matter of jealon-

sy," said Daniel Gros, senior re-

searcher at the Center for Euro-

pean Policy Studies in Brussels. The member states don't want

the commission to get too power-

ful, so they would rather send

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minimills that pushed the big mills

to change their ways. The value of the dollar played a

his role, too. When the dollar was

strong in the mid-1980s, American

producers recognized that they had

to become more efficient to block

inroads by imported steel. When

the dollar later weakened, foreign

American steelmakers still have

weapons for trade battles. They can

file legal cases against foreign pro-

ducers accusing them of selling

steel below cost or of benefiting

from government subsidies; several

of these actions have already been.

Under the terms of the steel im-

steel prices rose and imports fell.

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"We've got more and more people working for the commis-sion as consultants and national experts, and their loyalties are not always the same as those of EC civil servants," said an aide to Antonio Cardoso e Cunha, the EC commissioner for adminis-

In some new areas of commission competence, such as the engovernments vironment, consumer protection and aid programs for Eastern Europe, "some offices are filled almost entirely with external personnel" the aide said.

dustry's recovery," said the Rever-end William T. Hogan, a professor rather than blindly defend them-of economics at Fordham Univer-selves," said Kijchi Mochizuki,

At the end of 1991, there were 5,718 people working for the

sity and the author of a number of

books on the industry. "The agree-

commission as external personnel, in addition to the 14,000 civil servants. Two years earlier, there were only about 3,000 external workers. The number of national ex-

perts lent by member states and paid for by national ministries has doubled to 616 from 336 in the same time period. Such experts often hold key policy-making posts in Brussels, usually for a two-to-five year period.

"These people have careers back home in their member state, not here in Brussels," said an EC official "It's only human that their allegiance is to their nation-al administration, not the commission." On the other hand, says Mr.

Gros of the Brussels-based research center, national experts return home with important experience of the way the EC works, which contributes to efficient enforcement of Community law at the member state level. Outside consultants, he says,

hold another type of allure for budget-conscious Community "The nice thing about consultants is that you can fire them."

he said. "You can't fire unproductive EC civil servants. All you can do is put them in an office in the corner and leave them there."

Bull Sees Light at End Inflation Of Unprofitable Tunnel Up in West

open-systems sector, and last year

INTERNATIONAL HERALD TRIBUNE, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 1992

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches PARIS --- Groupe Bull, the government-controlled computer maker, reported Tnesday its third consecutive annual loss, but its

chairman said it expected to break even this year and become profitable in 1993. For 1991, Bull announced a loss of 3.30 billion francs (\$591.3 miltion), narrower than its 6.79 billion in Bull, which is reportedly seeking deficit for 1990. In 1989, the shortadditional capital. France owns fall was 266.7 million francs.

about 90 percent of the company. Most of the 1991 improvement Another element in the restrucwas because of lower restructuring turing was a reduction of 9,000 provisions, which fell to 675 million workers, or 19 percent of its staff, francs from 3.6 billion in 1990. during the year. Mr. Lorentz said in

"Thanks to Bull's deep transfor-February that more job cuts would mation, we realized significant imbe necessary, but not as many. provement," said Francis Lorentz, the chairman, Later, he said Bull would show an operating profit this year and a net profit in 1993. Mr. Lorentz said, however, the computer market remained de-

pressed. His company is restructuring to become competitive in the

Bundesbank Plans Windfall for Bonn Reuters

FRANKFURT - The Bundesbank is expected to report Thursday that it is making a record transfer of profits to the cash-strapped German

government this year. Estimates for the profit to be handed to Bonn by the central bank ranged from 14 billion Deutsche marks (\$8.5 billion) to 15 billion DM, economists said. The transfer would be well above the 7 billion DM provided for in the budget.

The transfer will go to the federal government, which has made more progress in bringing its budget under control than bave states.

it brought out a string of products that work with standard systems and with Bull proprietary systems. in January, Bull signed an accord with International Business Machines Corp. that includes sharing chip technology for RISC, or reduced-instruction-set computing, a building block in open systems. IBM will invest about \$100 million

Data from four Western states. which are used to calculate the provisional figure for the whole of Western Germany, show prices rose between 4.5 and 5 percent in

Ros Lifton of Nomura Research said the state data pointed to a rise for all of Western Germany of 0.3 percent in March from the previous month, and a 4.7 percent increase from March 1991, the highest annual rise since November 1982.

But economists said inflation would probably peak at this level and slacken in the rest of the year, so that prices would show an average rise of between 3.5 and 3.8

They said the surge in March inflation from the year earlier was due mainly to lower oil prices and a rise in tobacco taxes in the year-

earlier month. Separately, the VDMA trade

placed with the machine-tool industry rose 6 percent in real terms in February from a year earlier.

(Renters, AFP)

Krupp Earnings STEEL: Who Needs Protection? American Industry Can Now Compete With Metal Imports **Increased About** 38% Last Year

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatche HANNOVER --- Gerbard Cromme, chief executive of Fried. Krupp AG, said Tuesday his company's 1991 group net profit was about 300 million Deutsche marks

(\$182.3 million) last year, up 38 percent from 1990. Mr. Cromme said sales rose 2 percent, to 15.2 billion DM. He also defended Krupp's con-

troversial takeover of a rival steelmaker. Hoesch AG, saying it was time for Germany to abandon antiquated industrial practices. Krupp shocked German markets when it launched a bid in October, reveal ing that it had secretly bought 24.9 percent of Hoesch shares.

Krupp is 74.99 percent-owned by a foundation established by heirs of the founder, Friedrich Krupp, and 25.01 percent by Iran. (Reuters, AFP, Bloomberg)

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Very briefly:

France's National Accounts Committee, headed by the finance minis ter, expects gross domestic product growth of 2 percent this year and 2.6 percent in 1993, the Finance Ministry said.

Accor, the French botel group, reported that it had group consolidated net income last year of 948.6 million francs (\$170 million), down 5.6 percent from a year earlier.

 The Irish government blocked the takeover by Ireland's largest newspaper group. Independent Newspapers, of the unprofitable Sunday Tribune company, saying the merger would restrict competition.

· Asea Brown Boveri Ltd., the British unit of the Swedish-Swiss ABB, has increased to 80 percent from 40 percent its holding in BREL, Britain's biggest maker of railroad rolling stock, ABB said.

 Tele Danmark A/S. Denmark's majority state-owned telecommunications group, said it expected to improve its profit, despite lower rates, by increasing its market penetration and cutting costs.

· Renault's oldest factory, in the Paris suburb of Boulogne-Billancourt. and often called the last citadel of France's labor movement, has been closed after 63 years of producing vehicles.

• The right to handle the year's largest international stock sale, Wellcome Trust's sale of up to £4.5 billion (\$7.65 billion) of stock in the British pharmaceutical group Wellcome PLC, has been won by the American nvestment bank Morgan Stanley.

· Aegon NV, the second-largest insurer in the Netherlands, reported that 1991 net operating profit rose 11 percent to 712.8 million guilders (\$385 million), in line with analysts' expectations. Reuters, AFP, Bloomberg

Ferrari Sales Advanced 10% in 1991 The Associated Press

MARANELLO, ftaly --- Ferrari, the renowned Italian maker of luxury sport cars which also runs a Formula-one racing team, reported Tuesday a 10 percent rise in its 1991 revenue, to 660 billion lire (\$528 million).

Ferrari, which is controlled by the Turin-based automaker Fiat SpA, said its production amounted to 4,460 cars in 1991, compared with 4,293 the previous year. About 72 percent of Ferrari's production was exported, mostly to the United States,

ments have given them an opportu-It is the first step to improvement. nity to catch up." He added that the steel industry They are developing the courage to say that they have problems and that they need to be attacked." of producing steel has meant that spent \$23 billion in the 1980s to modernize plants and buy efficient In fact, U.S. steel companies equipment. Some of the money have become more efficient than came in the form of joint ventures with Japanese and South Korean those overseas. It takes an average of only 5.3 man-hours to produce a steel companies. "Without the ton of American steel, compared agreements," Father Hogan said, "we would have a high influx of with 5.4 in Japan, and 5.6 in both Germany and Britain, according to imports, and I doubt they would statistics by the WEFA Group, a consulting firm in Bala-Cynwyd, have been able to invest as much." A total of \$3 billion of foreign. Pennsylvania, The American figcapital, mostly from Japan and Koures look even better when comrea, has been invested in the Ameripared with 6.4 man-hours a ton in can steel industry. Many American South Korea, 7.2 in Taiwan and 8.9 executives have been exposed to in Brazil

president of the U.S. arm of Nis-

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foreign steel companies' methods of operation and labor relations. "Many American managers, par-

Despite the emergence of big steel companies as efficient, trim

operations, they are still plagued by the effects of overcapacity. There is

more steel than demand, and that gradually changing the competitive has caused prices - and profits - balance of the industry. Once these to remain in the doldrums. In fact, a ton of the sheet steel to producing such lower-quality that goes into cars is priced at items as reinforcement bars for about \$440 now, compared with \$504 in 1980. While the lower cost

steelmakers have profited in good times - the six largest producers earned \$1.2 billion in the robust economy of 1989 - they have been ravaged by economic downturns, While the large steel companies have scaled down, their smaller competitors, the minimills, have become significant challengers. These minimills, which include Nucor Corp., Birmingham Steel Corp. and Oregon Steel Mills Inc., typically operate with far lower costs because they melt scrap to produce

steel and have largely nonunion work forces with wages about a third lower than those of the unionized steelworkers at the big mills. Minimill companies, too, are

smaller companies were confined concrete used in highways and bridges and material for fences, wires and nails. Today, they have a virtual lock on items like beams that support

buildings. And some are moving toward the big companies' bread and butter: the flat-rolled steel used in automobiles and appliance parts. As a result, big steel companies consider the minimills to be as much a competitive threat as foreign steel is, perhaps even more so.

The importance of steel produced by these small steel companies has grown sharply. In 1980, the five largest steel producers accounted for more than 60 percent of all of the domestic industry's shipments. By 1990, that figure had dropped to slightly more than 40 percent.

federation said Tuesday that orders

Germany Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches FRANKFURT --- Western Germany's cost of living will show a vear-on-year rise of at least 4.5 percent in March, the highest since late 1982, independent economists said Tuesday. March from a year earlier.

Sources: Reuters, AFP

Investor's Europe

percent for 1992 as a whole.

(AFX, Reuters, AP, Bloomberg)

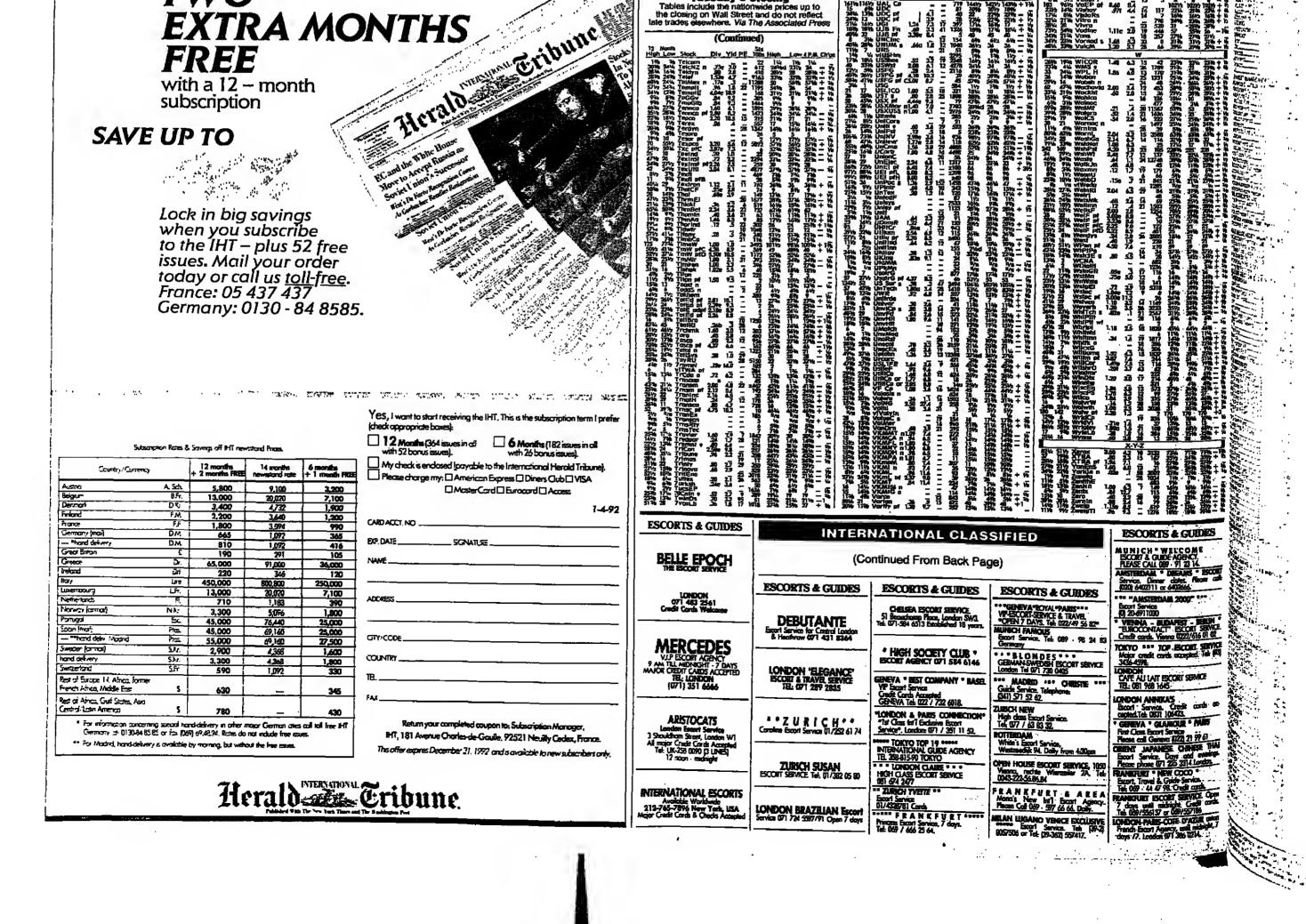
The company also took full con-trol of Bull HN Information Services Inc., a U.S. subsidiary comprising the former Honeywell computer line. It gave NEC Corp. a 4.7 percent holding in Bull in exchange for NEC's shares in Bull HN.

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Japan's Low-Key Recession Tokyo Frets, but Few Hard-Luck Tales Told

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Night clubs serving the young are still doing good business, but Ginza bar operators say business enstomers show little interest in the bars' \$300 a drink services. Demand for overseas tour

packages is strong. But business mavelers are on strict budgets. Welcome to recession, Japaneso-style.

The boom in stock and land prices of the late 1980s has tanned to bust and now the prob-lens are taking a toll on business and consumer confidence. Housing starts have plunged while corporate investment and consomer spending are slowing. In the last quarter of 1991, Japan's economy actually shrunk.

But with severe labor shortages and a national tradition of inferime employment, there have been no sizable layoffs and few Japanese actually worry about losing their paychecks. Instead of firing workers, companies ne-deploy them --- and life goes on.

10 to 15 percent and delay raises for 9,000 manag-

ers by six months, a spokesman said Tuesday. Eight top executives, including the chairman, president and vice presidents, are due for a 15

percent pay cut from April to September, while 27

Separately, Hitachi introduced a new range of

Hitachi said it would ship its S-3800 series

percomputers aimed at industrial customers.

beginning in January 1993, with monthly rentals

from 47 million yen (\$350,000) to 125 million yen. Its S-3600 range will be available starting in July of

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So far, Japan's economic slowdown has produced a lot of cantions behavior but few hard-luck stories. However, there is growing concern among economists, poli-ticizns and bosiness leaders that the Japanese economic machine may be headed for a breakdown. The fear is that the economy became so overheated in recent years that the process of cooling it

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tember. acknowledged the scope of the The Bank of Japan, which has problem Tuesday by announcing a package of stimulative mearesisted pressure to cut interest rates, is expected to announce a sures, including immediate spending on public works and 0.5 to 0.75 percentage point dis-count-rate cut later this week. Masaru Yoshitomi, director

The Nikkei average of 225 stocks fell 323.36 yen, or 1.6 per-cent, to 19.345.95 Monday, its lowest level since January 1987, But Tetsuo Tsukimura, the growth target for this year.

chief economist at the Tokyo branch of the U.S. brokerage Smith Barney, Harris Upham, is HISCIC. "This will be the worst reces-

sion in post-war Japan," he says. Mr. Tsakimura predicts a 0.4 pressed support.

percent decline in Japan's gross national product this year, the first since 1974. At the same time, some economists see little advantage to American and European companies seeking to gain an edge against Japanese rivals in global markets. The reason, they say, is

export drive when times get public-works budget before Sep-

general of the Economic Planning Agency said Tuesday the asures would inject more than \$30 billion into the economy and help Japan attain its 3.5 percent

But many economists and business leaders are already calling for additional government ending in a new supplementary budget — a move for which Mr. Miyazawa recently ex-

Big Banks' Credit Rating Of Hyundai Units' Stock Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatcher SEOUL - Chung Ju Yung, the Cal activities," an indication the money would be used to finance his SEOUL - Chung Ju Yung, the South Korean tycoon turned politi-Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches cian, said Tuesday that he was ced-TOKYO -- Moody's Investors ing control of his multibillion-dol-

Service Inc. said Tuesday it had lar stake in the Hyundai Group to lowered its credit ratings for four protect the reputation of his new Japanese banks to reflect the detepolitical party. norating quality of their assets, af-A Hyundai spokesman said Mr. fecting almost \$7 billion in debt. Chung, who founded the group, Separately, bankers said that would entrust his shares to his Japanese commercial banks had younger brother. Chung Se Yung,

built up loan reserves totaling \$1 billion to cover possible losses in glomerate, which is South Korea's the Commonwealth of Indepensecond largest. dent States. The banks downgraded were To-

kai Bank Ltd., Bank of Tokyo Ltd., her this year to oppose the govern-Mitsui Trust & Banking Co. and Hokuriko Bank Ltd.

Tokai Bank, based in Nagoya, and Bank of Tokyo had their long-term credit ratings lowered by one notch. Mitsui Trust, the third-big-gest rust bank in Japan, had both its long- and short-term ratings cut, also by one notch, while a similar downgrading of Hokuriko was limited to its short-term rating. Combined Japanese bank loans to the former Soviet Union are esti-

mated at about \$4 billion and reserves set aside for possible default may amount to \$1.2 billion. Mitsui Taiyo Kobe Bank Ltd.,

the world's second-biggest bank, is spending 3 billion yen (\$23 million) to change its name Wednesday to Sakura ("Cherry Blossom") Bank, a spokesman said. (AFP, Reuters)

World Bank Cools **On Yen Bonds**

Bioomberg Business News

TOKYO --- World Bank officials took a step back Tuesday from ambitious plans to issue more yen-denominated global bonds, but defended the performance of the bank's first such issue,

nancing and pleased investors,

at a fixed reoffer price of 99.23 yen.

cal activities," an indication the money would be used to finance his party. He said he would sell "as much Hyundai stock as possible." According to South Korean press reports. Mr. Chung is thought to own stock in Hyundai subsidiaries that is worth about 2 trillion wop (\$2.6 billion).

"In order for the UNP to become a public political party in name and reputation, it needs to break ties with the Hyundai Group," a UNP the current chairman of the conspokesman quoted Mr. Chung as telling reporters.

Mr. Chung was quoted as saying that he was "in the process of pre-The elder Mr. Chung founded the Unification National Party carparing legal documents with my promise that I would take my ment of President Roh Tae Woo. hands off all matters regarding The UNP won 31 seats in a general Hyundai stock rights." election last week, making it the

Hyundai reported group sales of \$37 billion in 1990 and employs second-largest opposition party. Mr. Chung said the money raised by the sale of his stock would be cturned to society through politi-

170,000 people in South Korea. (Reuters, AFP)

SINGAPORE --- Satellite-television news will be beamed into Singapore homes for the first time on April 2 with strict censorship

rules remaining intact, broadcasting officials said Tuesday. Singapore Cablevision Pre. will relay a 24-bour feed of Cable News Network, with a Home Box Office movie channel and a Mandarin Chinese entertainment channel to follow on June I, officials said.

The same censorship standard that is used on SBC will be used on SCV," said Chang Long Kiat, Cablevision's general manager. He was referring to the state-owned Singapore Broadcasting Corp. "The movies shown here will not be the ones seen in the United States."

HBO, a unit of Time Warner Inc., will provide the movie package in advance so that Cablevision can review or reject selections. Passages to be censored will be specified and HBO will make the cuts.

We will indicate themes sensitive and unacceptable in Singapore - like homosexuality, encouraging drug use, inflaming race and religion — and after a few months we expect the working relation-ship will be smooth," Mr. Chang said.

Shenzhen Is to Triple Stock Listings

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

HONG KONG -The number of companies listing their shares on the Shenzhen Stock Exchange, one of China's two bourses, is to triple in the next three months, a state-run newspaper said.

Shenzhen also is to expand, the area's Communist Party secretary, Li Hao, said in Beijing. He was quoted Tuesday as saying that the central government had approved the plan to merge the zone with neighboring Baoan County, increasing Shenzhen's size more than six-fold.

There will be 30 stocks traded on the hourse hy the end of June, up from 10 at the end of last week, the China Daily said. (Bloomberg, AFP)

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w Vietnam is likely to cut a \$50-a-month minimum wage that foreign companies must pay local workers to as low as \$30, the Vietnam Investment Review reported; local companies pay as little as \$5 a month.

• The Philippines expects to buy the \$1.27 billion of its debt tendered by foreign commercial banks for about 52 percent of face value as part of a \$5 billion debt restructuring, said Jose Cuisia, the central bank governor.

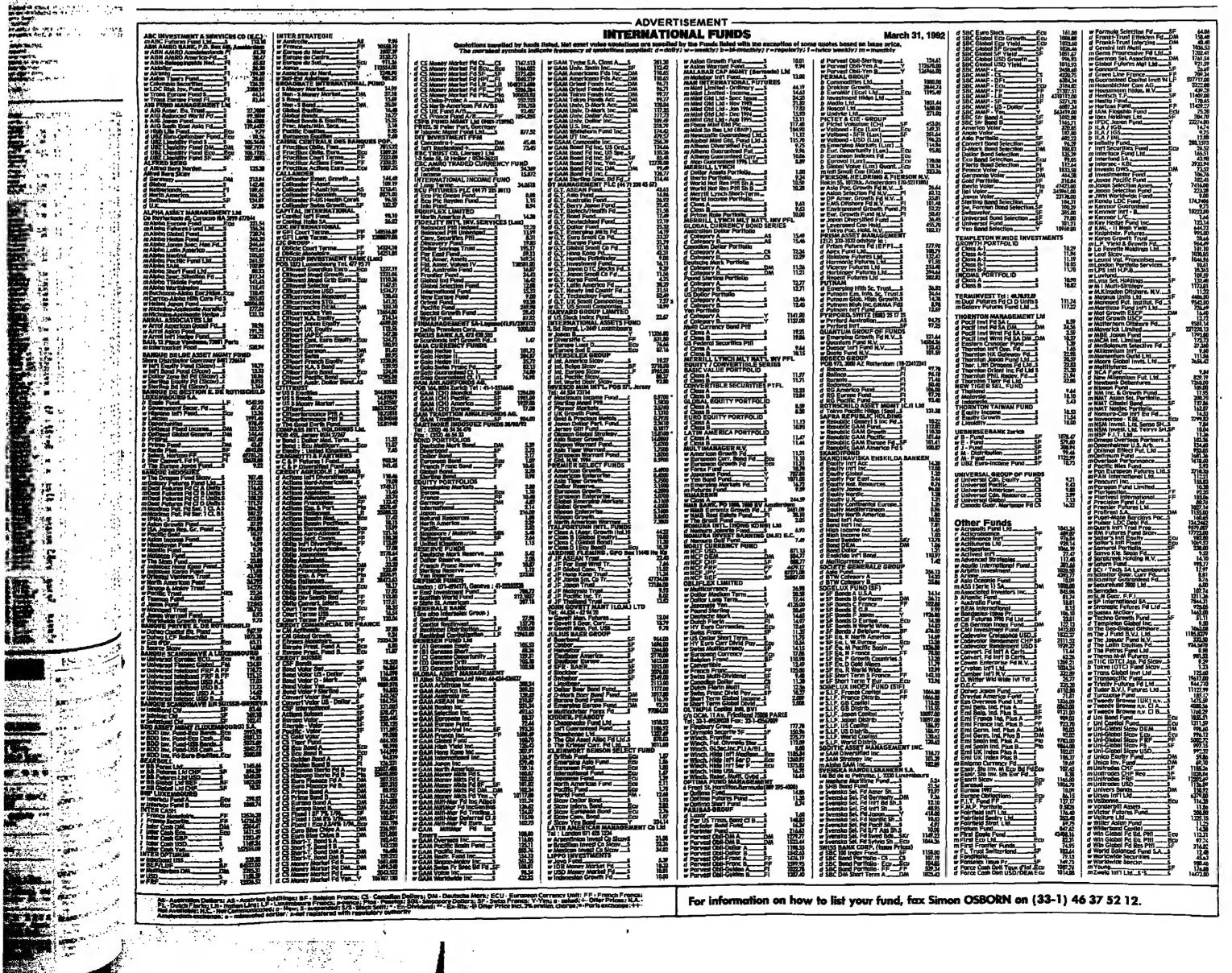
· Matsushita Electric Industrial Ltd.'s AAA long-term bond rating is under review by Standard & Poor's Asia Ltd. because of earnings problems that are preventing it from restoring its balance sheet to previous levels after the \$6.6 billion purchase of MCA Inc.

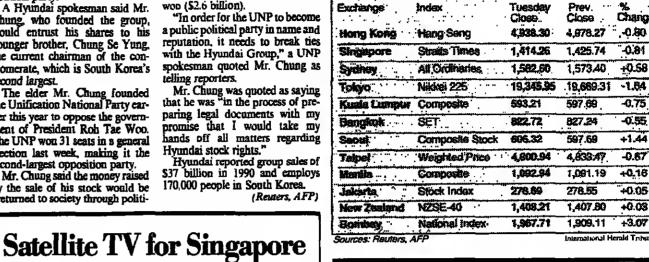
• Tokyn Department Store Co. said current profit fell 17.5 percent in the year to Jan. 31, to 9.225 billion yen (\$69.3 million), and it had a net loss of 1.60 billion yen because of weak consumer demand.

• New Japan Securities, Japan's fifth-largest brokerage house, closed its Los Angeles branch and transferred its activities to New York.

• Tokyo Gas Co, and Mitsui & Co. will set up a joint gas company in Kuala Lumpur of which they will own 25 percent, Malaysia Mining Corp. will hold 55 percent, and the public oil concern Petronas will own 20 percent.

w Singapore Aerospace won a \$12 million contract to modify Boeing 747 aircraft owned by South African Airways. Bloomberg, Reuters, AFP, UPI





Hitachi to Slash For Civil Servants, **Executives' Pay A Shorter Week** TOKYO --- Hit by weak performance in its semiconductor, computer and andio-visual busi-nesses, Hitachi Ltd. will cut executives' salaries by

two days off every week starting in May, a govern-

Japan's 500,000 civil servants now take the first and third Saturdays off every month, except for those with special jobs such as at museums and government hospitals.

ment's efforts to cut average yearly working hours. Hundreds of Japanese die every year of karoshi, or overwork, according to the National Defense Council for Victims of Karoshi, which says Japa-nese work an average 2,168 hours annually, against 1,642 for Germans.

TOKYO -- Civil servants in Japan are to get shorter working hours. Employees of the central government will have

ment spokesman said Tuesday.

The new working week is part of the govern-

The World Bank's vice president

and yen debt, Paul Siegelbaum, said the 250 billion yen (\$1.88 bil-lion) bond secured cheap yen fi-

The bond went on sale March 10

It was trading Tuesday around 99.10 yen, yielding 5.39 percent.

and treasurer, Jessica Einhorn, and the bank's top manager for dollar

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Chisox, for More Clout, Get **Bell From Cross-Town Cubs**

The Associated Press The American League West just keeps getting better and better. Now it has George Bell, too.

The league's most valuable play-er in 1987, was traded by the Chicago Cuhs to the Chicago White Sox on Monday for outfielder Sammy Sosa and reliever Ken Patterson. Sosa and Bell are both from the

town of San Pedro de Marcoris in the Dominican Republic.

Bell, a nine-year veteran, spent seven turbulent years with the Toronto Blue Jays before signing as a free agent with the Cuhs in Decem-ber 1990 for a guaranteed \$9.8 million over three years.

"We got the guy we wanted," said the White Sox's general man-uger, Ron Schueler. "We got the Dure hitter.

Bell, 32, has averaged 154 games, 28 home runs and 100 runs batted in during his eight full seasons in the major leagues. He won the MVP award in 1987 after hitting ,308 with 47 home runs and 134 RBIs for the Blue Jays. The left fielder hit .285 with 25

home runs and 86 RBIs for the

Cubs last year. Bell's addition boisters a strong incup that already includes Tim Raines, Steve Sax, Rohin Ventura, Frank Thomas, Dan Pasqua, Carl-

ton Fisk and Ozzie Guillen. The White Sox finished 87-75 last season, second to Minnesota. Every club in the West was .500 or better in 1991.

Sosa, 23, hatted .203 with 10 homers and 33 RBIs in 116 games with the White Sox. He adds speed and defense to the Cubs' outfield. o In Port SL Lucie, Florida, Dwight Gooden pitched three-hit ball over six innings in his most impressive performance of spring training as the New York Mets beat the Montreal Expos, 5-0.

Gooden, who is recovering from rotator cuff surgery last September, walked three and struck out five. He is to pitch the Mets' home opner against Montreal on April 10.

It was the seventh straight victory for New York, which at 15-9 now has the best spring record among NL teams

I Players Ready for Lockout Murray Chass of The New York Times reported from Scottsdale, Art-

For four weeks, Donald Fehr has frontation is premature, owners say. "We're a long way from makbeen traveling through Florida and ing any of those decisions," said Bud Selig of the Milwaukee Brew-Arizona telling the members of the union he heads to expect the owners, chairman of the board of direcers of the major league teams to tors of the Player Relations Comemploy a two-stage strategy in the mittee, the owners' labor body.

cext 12 months: Reopen the collective bargainduring a spring lockout in 1990 runs to the end of 1993, but either ing agreement in December.

• Lock out the players from spring training next February. "It's almost a here-we-go-again side can reopen it by giving the other side notice hy Dec. 11, 1992. If the contract is reopened, either

thing," Fehr said after one of his side would be free to "engage in recent meetings with players. "You don't take it as a certainty because concerted action." a lot can happen between now and "Obviously, reopening is an option we have and we'd be silly not to consider the option," said Jerry then, but at the moment, I assume they will reopen and I assume they will lock out. They have clearly left the impression with the players that Reinsdorf of the White Sox, who is a member of the Player Relations Committee board. they intend to lock out. If they do,

it'll be a long one so you have to prepare for it. You plan for the Reinsdorf, whom the players view as one of the more militant owners, also acknowledged that if worst-case scenario. In planning for that scenario, the the owners did reopen and the two Major League Baseball Players Assides could not reach agreement, a sociation is in the process of acculockout could loom. "To me," Reinsdorf said, "all a mulating a fund that, a year from now, is expected to total between lockout means is there's a work stoppage and the owners have de-cided the timing. A strike is where the players decide the timing. To \$125 million and \$140 million. The money, which would be used in the event of an extended work stoppage, comes from licensing fees

me, if we can't reach agreement and that the union is holding instead of we reach an impasse, a lockout is something that would have to be But concern about a labor conconsidered.



Orel Hershiser of the Los Angeles Dodgers lost his third straight this spring, giving up 10 hits, nine runs and walking four in five innings as the Kansas City Royals won, 9-2, in Haines City, Florida.

It's the Naked Truth About Football Players

The Associated Press

distributing to the players.

sportswriters,

LONDON --- Unlike the United States, lockerrooms are generally off-limits to the media after sporting events in England. The idea of a woman reporter in the clubhouse is especially unheard of.

So it was a novelty when the London Monarchs of the World League opened their lock-erroom to accredited journalists — including women — after their fontball games.

Anne Barrowclough of the Daily Mail went into the dressing room following the Monarchs' 31-28 loss to the Frankfurt Galaxy at Wembley Stadium on Saturday night. Her story, published Monday, probably

will not win her many friends with the team, with feminists or with American woman

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The article began:

with their clothes on than they do naked. Their shoulders are bigger, their bottoms smaller and their trousers do for their legs what lycra leggings do for those of teenage girls.

"When all that glittering apparel - huge shoulder pads, predatory helmets, sexy pants

- come off, though, they are reduced to being just hig men with huge thighs and overly fleshy stomachs."

The story continued:

"Being in the lockerroom wasn't an edifying experience. The smell of stale socks and fresh sweat does nothing for me. Some of the bodies, as 1 have mentioned, could have done with the Hip and Thigh Diet. And the conversation? Women fantasize about lockerroom chat. It holds the same fascination for them as purdah does for men.

"But all anyone wanted to talk about on "American football players look better Saturday was the game, I might just as well

have been in the pub after an Arsenal [soccer] match for all the enlivening conversation i goL'

As for the game:

feature;

"Nothing much seemed to be happening. This game was for first place in the European Division of the World League, but to the uninitiated it seemed that inertia ruled" and "the hall was constantly hidden under piles of players whose only occupation appeared to be hutting each other with their helmets." But Barrowclough found one redeeming

"The woman in front of me had decided that Monarch players Nos, 2 and 3 had the nicest bottoms on the field and we agreed that American football players are serier than English soccer players because their shiny leggings stop you from having to look at dirty, hany legs."

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The Shrinking World of Soccer: Birthrights for Sale, Small Fee

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International Herald Tribune

ONDON - What price a birthright? For four L ONDON - What price a promigne. A stranger decades soccer players have been for hire, mind, body and soul. Now, for a small extra consideration, the sport finds ways to bend the laws of nationhood. In Europe, Alexander Mostovoi of Russia has just become a Portuguese by means of a marriage of convenience to a lady he scarcely knew that so he can join seven other foreign-born players on Benfica's

In the West Indies, World Cup 94 has its first



er than Puerto Ricans. What a way to kick off the 582-match contest to scale down 138 entries to 22 qualifiers for the tournament proper in the United States.

One way or another, Americans will have a presence in the historic taking of the world game to them. The host team qualifies automatically, and the U. S. team's coach, Bora Milutinovic, a Yugoslav, is pulling every string he can to be able to include South African Roy

Wegerle in his squad. Why not? Everybody's doing it. New York semi-pros, never likely to catch Bora's eye, now call them-selves Soccer America's first World Cup winners. The farce reads like this. In December, Puerto

Rican players mutinied after their coach, Victor Hugo Barros, was fired. The federation did not try to find 11 men from 3.3 million islanders to beat the Dominican Republic in the two pre-preliminary round qualifying matches of the Caribbean North of the CONCACAF region. (Now you know why there are 582 matches!) So the federation called in Arnie Ramirez, Long Island University's soccer coach. Ramirez, a Costa Rican not Puerto Rican, brought in 14 Americans,

most of whom had never seen the Caribbean. The loophole exploited by the federation, and condoned by FIFA, is that all Puerto Ricans have U.S. citizenship. The Dominicans protested, reasonably but in vain, that "the United States has a team in the World

Cup, a country cannot participate with two teams." Puerto Rico, by winning by 2-1 in the away match and holding on for a 1-1 draw at home last Sunday, claimed its first World Cup triumph. The decisive goal came from Mark Lugris, who by virtue of having a Puerto Rican mother, captained the team.

Who knows, if Lagris can negotiate time off from managing a New York City restaurant, he and his pals might be six games from taking Puerto Rico to the finals in their own country. The United States, that is.

I HAVE TO side with the boys of Santo Domingo in rooting for Jamaica to put a stop to that. Meanwhile, what lessons in national pride or fair play are handed to Dominicans like 16-year-old Omar Cuevas, whose effort on behalf of his republic has just been snuffed ont by big hrothers as much at home in Puerto Rico as Russians in Ukraine?

Not that we old European soccer stagers set much of an example. The Mostovoi "marriage" is par for the Portuguese course. For years the hig Portuguese clubs have used dual

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citizenship arrangements to field Brazilian stars in addition to the permitted six foreigners per team in the addition to the permitten six treatment per termine the domestic league (and only three in the European Cap) Benfica, with two Brazilians, also possesses three Swedish internationals, and now three men who have played for what was the Soviet Union. Mostowi arrived in Lisbon on March 12, obtained a certificate of marriage to an un-named divorce (born in Leninof mariage to an un marine citizenship from her first marriage), and qualifies as a "home" player. Indeed, Isaias, a Brazilian forward also married to a Portuguese, has similar status with Benfica

You will be relieved to know that rules count for something, somewhere, Mostovoi will be unable to help Benfica in Wednesday's European Cup match against Dynamo Kiev because he was not signed before the stipulated deadline. At least, I think that is a rule which even Benfica might not circumvent

Nevertheless, the old Lions of Lisbon, and their Swedish coach, will be eliminated. Barcelona requires only a tie in Prague against Sparta to reach the European Cup Final, and what reward that will be for Barca's hired Dutch, Danish and Bulgarian importa The other European Cup finalist could be the clos-

est thing to a team of "pure" nationals in the compet-tion. Red Star Belgrade, the defending champion, has Serbs, Macedonians and a naturalized Romanian de-fector, Miordrag Belodedic, but in sport if hardly in reality, they represent Yugoslavia.

reality, they represent Y ugosizvia. S PEAK TO Red Star players and officials and they swear that soccer should have nothing to do with war or politics. They are angry that, while league matches go on with unmolested safety in the 100.000. capacity Red Star stadium, the team is orced to play the team is orced to play European Cup matches in Hungary or Bulgaria. The "Wandering Serbs" are not losing, but the bank

balance is gutted. Red Star reckons it has lost more than \$6 million on European Cup matches this season. even though its fans follow it in the tens of thousands

This Wednesday, their support will be vital. Red Star has huilt up a one point lead, but its opponent now is the Italian champion Sampdoria, which beat Red Star, 2-0, in Genoa last November. The goals came from Gianluca Vialli and Roberto

Mancini. And though Vialli's temper has blown hot, hotter and violent, the team around him has been unbeaten in 15 Italian league matches since then. The foreign theme might bore you by now, but it is

worth mentioning that Toninho Cerezo, the aging Brazilian, and Srecko Katanec, one of hundreds of rugoslavs abroad, have a pretty influential effect on Sampdoria strategy.

It will be a tight, very, very cagey semifinal. A ne would benefit Red Star, so the onus is on Sampdoria to score and force the defending champions to show the goal-scoring power that makes Darko Pancer and Dejan Savecevic certainties to join the exodus to Italian clubs.

The alternative, alas, is that there is no team more content to kill a game than Red Star. It won the European Cup on penalties last May, proving that pragmatism is the last thing in the world a Yugoslav inds foreign.

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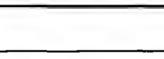
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LIFE ITSELF: Abortion in the "RU-486 is an abortifacient, oot a cootraceptive. The only problem it will American Mind solve, should abortion ever be legally

By Roger Rosenblatt. 194 pages. \$20. Random House Inc., 201 East 50th Street New York, N.Y. 10022.

forbidden and the drug smuggled into the country, would be to create a way around the law, not the mind." Then why, he wonders, can't Americans live with this conflict. Americans with conflict than any civilization in his-tory? Io answering, Rosenhlatt begins by reviewing the entire history of attitudes toward abortion with three questions in

of abortion and find a reasonably satisfactory attitude on the subject." Here, through quiet cooversations in-stead of confrontational demonstrations. he manages to hring out subtle nuances of the debate as well as samples of the humane reasonableness that he believes to reside on both sides.

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ing and fundamentally ambivalent element in our national life, and we have not yet been able to do so. Yet acknowledging and living with amhivalence is, in a way, what America was invented to

After this, there is really not all that much to add. Yet this eloquent summing

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Reviewed by Christopher Lehmann-Haupt

WHAT more is there to say on the subject of abortion in America as, to borrow the opening image of Roger Rosenblatt's "Life Itself," angry pro-choicers and pro-lifers try to face each other down in public demonstrations, with hatred hurning in their hearts? Precisely that if this conflict can't be

resolved, perhaps it might be useful to resolve just why it can't be resolved.

In his thoughtful, healing new book, Rosenblatt, a well-known print and television journalist and editor for Life mag-izine, begins hy pointing out that 73 percent of Americans polled in 1990 were in favor of abortion rights, yet 77 percent in another poll said they regarded abortion as a form of murder.

Most Americans are both for the choice of abortion as a principle and against abortion itself - for themselves. To state that ambivalence is to begin to deal with it." he writes.

He doubts, moreover, that the introduction of the French abortion pill RU-486 in the United States will diminish conflicted thoughts about abortion.

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mind: When is a fetus a person? What cir-cumstances justify an abortion? Who de-cides? His point is that in all of human history to date, no culture has ever been able to answer these questions satisfactorily. And yet Americans continue to wrangle.

He then explores what it is about the United States that has made abortion such an explosive issue in recent years. He begins hy citing American religiosity and the loss of a consensus on anything during the past quarter century, and goes on to describe certain characteristics of American thought: "individualism, optimism, a preoccupation with evil and a dogged middle-classness, especially as regards sexuality," each of which "has become peculiarly explosive when abortion has touched it."

Finally, he summarizes conversations he held in 1990 with people in lowa, a state that he regards "as a model of how we might both discuss the complications

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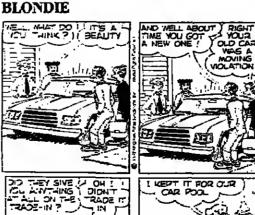
of the power with which Rosenblatt sums "Life Itself" is required reading. up the dilemma early in its pages:

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SPORTS BASKETBALL

By Thomas George New York Times Service

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CINCINNATI - Every way that Anthony Baford named on the University of Cincinnati campus on Monday afternoon, there was a handshake, a pat on the back, a good word.

Buford, Cincinnati's versatile, play-making guard, was standing in the campus bookstore when another well-wisher offered his thoughts on what Cincinnati's inclusion in the semifinals of the National Collegiate Athletic Association's basketball tournament meant to him and to others.

"Tye got \$500 seats, right on the floor," the fan and fellow student said. "I won't miss a minute of this. You guys have put Cincinnati basketball back on the map. This is going to be one big party in Minneapolis - and here at

Buford smiled.

Later he explained: "No one can know just what this means to us. All of our lives, as kids playing basketball, you dream of playing in the Final Four. I've taped all of the recent ones. Now I'll have something special to add to the collection.

For Cincinnati, a Return to the Glory Years

"All of my teammates and me know what it's like to have the eyes of the world fixed on you for all the wrong reasons. Just two years ago, I was transferring from Akron to here and I was getting hate mail from the Akron fans. I had to sit out all of last year yet keep my mind focused on basketball. I almost gave up. It seemed my chance would never come. And then to have all of this happen in my last year of college ball? We are living the dream."

> Cincinnati's 29-4 season, which includes an 88-57 trouncing of Memphis State in the Midwest Regional final on Sunday in Kansas City, Missouri, carned the Bearcats their Final Four berth against Michigan this Saturday. It all serves as a throwback here to the glory years almost 30 years ago when players like Oscar Robertson helped Cincinnati make Final Four trips routine.

The long drought in between included a three-year probationary period from the

NCAA and one-year chimination, in 1988, from postseason play for the school. Many of the Cincinnati players, however, have experienced their own sort of personal drought. Ten of the 11 players on the Bearcats' roster are transfer students, eight from junior colleges and two from other Division I schools. There has long been an undefinable stigma placed on junior college players:

Too dumb to make the big time.

 Not good enough to play with the big boys. Cincinnati and its coach, Bob Huggins, may change much of that perception this week in capolis

"We recruit people, good people, whether they are junior college kids or not," Huggins said. "We get people who want to do the right things and want to go to class and make some-thing of themselves. We fit their need and they fit ours. They know that we care about them first as people.

"Here, even in our own hometown, we're just beginning to educate people. We've got a guy who grew six inches while in junior college and worked hard to become the type of player he is today. We've got guys who transferred because of a change in coaches and in their old school's playing style. There are often myriad factors why a guy starts out in junior college, and they all don't have to be negative factors. What we're talking about here is opportunity."

The university thinks of itself in much the same manner. Its brochures read: "A comprehensive university with a personal touch."

The university is situated 3 miles (5 kilometers) north of downtown Cincinnati and has an enroliment of about 36,000. The institution is noted for its engineering and music programs and for its distinction as the first in America (in 1906) to offer cooperative education for its students, the idea of classwork combined with practical on-the-job experience.

The players say that the university and the city are not too big or not too small but just right. The city's diverse economic base offers job opportunities after basketball, they said. And their coach, in his third season here, has offered the right touch. "He knew what it took," said Buford, "to get us where we are right now."

It took Huggins and the players fitting all the different pieces together to form a common bond. It took diving for loose balls — "That's not optional," Huggins said — and a relentless full-court pressure defense that kept producing turnovers. It took the humor of junior forward Terry Nelson, a standup comedian, to keep everyone loose and players like Nelson who do the dirty, inglorious work under the basket. Huggins has worn the same, lucky brown suit

for the last 10 games, all victories. He said he will later offer it for charity - after the Final Four, of course.

Huggins arrived here in 1989 after five seasons as head coach at Akron and three at Walsh College. In his 11 collegiate seasons as a head coach, his teams have won 20 or more games eight times. He said from the start that Cincinnati would eventually make the Final Four.

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"I had 15 or so friends in the coaching business call me and tell me I was out of my mind, that I was putting too much pressure oo myself," Huggins said. "What happens too often is that people are afraid to dream and are afraid of being disappointed.

"I'm honest and chrect and sometimes I don't give the answers that people are looking for. I. don't say to my players to do it because I said so. I say do it and here's why. They listen. I listen. My father was a coach and I grew up in a house always full of coaches. I learned there are so many different ways to skin a cat."

There are also many ways to make a "cat" lean and mean and full of desire and once again the apple of a city's eve. That is what Cincinnati's Bearcats are today.

"And no one can take that away from us," Buford said. "That is what our college experience has meant."

Noah Quits as French Captain, **Draws Retort From Leconte**

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Utah Coach's Technical Puts Irish in NIT Final

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK - Utah's volatile toughest college schedule in the basketball coach, Rick Majerns, country, but they seemed about to has put Notre Dame into the final unravel when they started to blow of the National Invitation Tourna-ment. scoring chances, troubled by Utah's nonstop pressure after half-

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States instead of concentrating on the job in hand. "Basically it was a case of two grys who said, "We've won the Cup, that's great." Noah said. "Heari said, The Davis Cup is my

life.' No, his life is to play and win

Forget, in a long and sometimes

bitter interview in which he accused them of resting on the laurels

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches PARIS - Yannick Noah, who captained France to a sensational Davis Cup title last year, announced Tuesday that he is quitting the post and in so doing angered at least one of his former players. Noah, in revealing his decision in an interview published Tuesday by the sports daily L'Equipe, said that he reached the decision three weeks before this weekend's loss to Switzerland in the 1992 quarterfinals. "The fact that we lost didn't change my decision," Noah said. It's out of the question that the Davis Cup become my thing." "It's enough," he added. "In five or six years time, we will see, but now I want to do something else." François Janffret, the French Tennis Federation's technical director, said in a radio interview that Noah had revealed his decision to the team's players three weeks ago. He didn't want anyone to say he left after 3 defeat." Jauffret said adding that "we've fallen from the heights. It's an incredible blow." He said Noah "brought something phenomenal to this team. We hope he'll stay with us." But Noah also expressed disap-pointment with December's two heroes, Henri Leconte and Guy

Yannick Noah after December's victory: "It's enough."

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set of the United States in the 1991 Thierry Champion and Arnaud final in December, told L'Equipe, Boetsch. Neither had played Davis There was nothing nore 10 do. les beiore. A former French Open winner Each lost his opening match Friand still a part-time player, Noah day. Forget and Leconte won the "Look at Guy's results since the said he wanted to concentrate on doubles Saturday, but Champion beginning of the year. Fine, he beat his new career as a singer and relost again Sunday to end any hopes cording artist. of another miracle His departure is laced with irony. Forget and Leconte, close Four months ago, he was a national friends and former Davis Cun hero, sharing the Davis Cup glory playing partners of Noah's, first both expressed disappointment at equally with his overachieving stars, Leconte and Forget, after his decision. their victory in Lyon for France's "I told him I would like him to first Davis Cup title in 59 years. stay on," Forget said. "Yannick is irreplaceable. We will talk about it Yet on Monday, oot knowing he was quitting, the French press was again, I hope I can make him questioning Noah's tactical decichange his mind." sions in the loss to Switzerland. Leconte said that "it's a pity be-Noah decided that Forget and cause we get on extremely well and Leconte were not playing up to par. it's a shame to finish oo a losing and gambled by giving the singles berths to two unheralded players, note. But Yannick has created a team spirit which can carry ou without him. And L'Equipe, in a full-page spread about Noah on Tuesday. already was waxing oostalgic. "Without Noah, nothing will be Clay Young, casistent coaches, and Jamie Cesprove, part-line casistent coach, MARSHALL—Judy Southord, women's basisetboll coach, restaned. sive lackle; Jeff Brody, linebacker; and Patthe same," the paper said in an editorial. "We miss him already." MIAMI, OHIO-Extended contract of Job (AP, Reuters)

SIDELINES

Beckenbauer: Will Help U.S. Team

BERLIN (AP) - Franz Beckenbauer, the former star player who coached the West German team to the last World Cup Soccer champion-ship in 1990, plans to help the U.S. team prepare for the 1994 tournament, the illustrated German weekly magazine Bunte reported Tuesday. "Yes, I will go there and help them before the world championships

But only for a couple of weeks a year," Beckenbauer said. The magazine gave no other details, nor did it say how much Becken-bauer, whose coaching skills are highly prized, would be paid. • Bobby Robson, the former English national team manager whose contract with Dutch league leader PSV Eindboven expires at the end of

Tyson Gets Off To Fast Start

The Associated Press INDIANAPOLIS - Mike Tyson has declined to eat prison food or cooperate with an educational assessment, which

Indiana correctional officials say represents "pretty typical behavior" for a oew immate.

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the season, will take over as coach of Sporting Lisbon later this year, Sporting's president, José Sousa Cintra, said Tuesday. Renters

Italian Cancellation Angers Dutch

ROME (Combined Dispatches) - Bowing to the pressure of such clubs as AC Milan, who because of Italian soccer league and European cup schedules have been unwilling to release their international players. the Italian Federation abruptly canceled Tuesday the national team's exhibition match April 22 against the Netherlands in Eindhoven.

That angered the Dutch Soccer Union because, a spokesman said. There have been tickets printed and even sold which causes problems." The spokesman said the match will now be played Sept. 9. (AP. Reuters)

Lovola Settles With Gathers's Mother

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Loyola Marymount University will pay Lucille Gathers \$545,000 m a settlement that ends legal action against the school by the family of her son, the basketball star Hank Gathers.

Loyola carlier paid \$855,000 in a settlement with Aaron Crump, Gathers's 8-year-old son, in a suit filed by Gathers' estate. Still to be decided is a part of the suit that alleges negligence by those who treated Gathers on the court after he collapsed during a Loyola game on March 4, 1990. Gathers died later that evening of cardiomyopathy.

Canadian Olympian in Murder Case

OTTAWA (Reuters) - Ken Leblanc, 24, a member of Canada's fourman Olympic bobsled team, has been arrested and charged with obstruct-ing justice in allegedly threatening witnesses in a murder case involving his brother.

Leblanc was arrested Sunday and denied bail at his court appearance Monday, His brother, Bryan, has been in police custody since December on charges of murdering a paving contractor, Joseph D'Angelo, who was shot dead in his Ottawa office last October.

For the Record

The British Open golf championship in 1996 will be held at Royal Lytham, the Royal and Ancient Club amounced Wednesday. (Reuters) Pint Jackson, who coached the Chicago Bulls to their first NBA title in Phil Jackson, who coached the Cincago puts to take inter-year the franchise's 25-year history last season, has been given a three-year (AP) contract extension through the 1995-96 season.

Tex Schramm, 71, the former executive of the NFL Dallas Cowboys, has been taken off a respirator and his condition upgraded from critical to serious after quintuple bypass surgery. (AP) (AP)

Rob Evens, an assistant coach at Oklahoma State, has been hired as the Dail Mila (AP) first black head basketball coach at Mississippi.

Hiroki Joka of Japan retained his WBA junior flyweight title Tuesday by outpointing Noel Tanacao of the Philippines in a 12-round bout in Kitakyushu. (Reuters)

Victor Rabanales of Mexico won the WBC's vacant bantamweight title Monday night in Los Angeles with a ninth-round technical decision over acromento 24 4 X-clinched playoff berth (AP) Yong Hoon Lee of South Korea.

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Madison Square Garden ment of Correction spokes-That put the Irish in the final Wednesday night against Virginia, man, said Tyson has taken fluids but refused to cat solid which had beaten Florida, 62-56, in food during his first five days at the Reception and Diagnos-

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■ Courier May Rejoin U.S.

Jim Courier, who lost his No. 1 ranking to Stefan Edberg last week, may be recalled for the U.S. team's Davis Cup semifinal against Edberg's Sweden, Agence France-Presse reported from Fort Myers, Florida. "My opinion is that the best

American player should be play-ing," said John McEnroe, who will be playing doubles. He and Andre Agassi, who won two quarterfinal matches against Czechoslovakia, are virtually certain to be picked.

For singles, the U.S. captain, Tom Gorman, has to choose between Courier, Pete Sampras, who won only one of his singles against the Czechs, and Michael Chang, who has won his last three tournaments.

Both Courier and Chang are difficult to beat oo clay, the surface the Americans probably will pick for the semifinal in Minneapolis on Sept. 25-27.



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OBSERVER

Granny-Dumping

By Russell Baker N S2, physically helpless, emp-tied of memory by Atzheimer's dis-ease and holding a hag of diapers, was abandoned in his wheelchair at was abandoned in his wheelchair at an Idaho dog track the other day. the attention of presidential speech "Proud to Be an American" were the words on his sweatshirt.

Something about the story caught editors' attention. Mayoe it was the dog-track angle. Old-timers like Kingery are usually abandoned at hospitals.

These abandonments are common enough nowadays, according to agents of the old-people's lobby, to constitute a trend, which they call "granny dumping." Helpless ancients dumped at

hospitals haven't much interested the press before now, but a granny left at a dog track was a story too bizarre to ignore, and it got hig play across the United States.

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Thus I was forced to dwell on it at the very moment the posturing of the presidential candidates was at one of its seasonal peaks. Former Governor Brown was di-

lating on the miracles that would flow from a 13 percent flat tax, with blithe disregard for the fact that George Washington himself, risen from the tomb for the specific purpose, could not persuade any Congress — Democratic, Republican, Whig, Federalist, Tory or Milk-of-Human-Kindness Party - to enact e flat tax.

Governor Clinton, instead of dismissing Brown's tax promise as irrelevant to real life - granny too dim to grasp hasic political realities, like Congress's sovereignty in tax matters.

So there he was, gravely denouncing the soak-the-poor nature undid Leninism. of all flat taxes as though Brown's might really be enacted.

No wonder so many voters were saying there had to be somebody better than this crowd.

Contemplating that future that hag of diapers, that "Proud to Be an American" sweatshirt, those dog trainers or supermarket stock clerks or Disneyland Mickey Mouse impersonators saying. Poor old granny, he doesn't even know his own name" -- contemplating that was no easier after

There, as among the Democrats, it was politics as usual: strict loyalty to the faith that you can fool enough of the people enough of the Granny-dumping hadn't come to

writers in January when they composed the State of the Union address, but even then the press told tales of the death of civilization. People sleeping on the streets. Terrorists rampant in filthy, ruined cities. Bankruptive health care, and none at all for millions.

Never mind. The president's January speech had dared Democrais to do many vaguely defined things he knew they would not do. and he challenged them to do them hy March 20, or else get cam-paigned against for not doing them. In short, while pretending to provide us with the governance ser-

vices for which we pay him, he was posturing for re-election. Congressional Democrats, equally masterful at striking poses, quickly passed a tax hill they knew the president would veto.

It offered small coin to this year's favorite undefinable mass, "the middle class." Bush then danced the next step in this fakers' minuet by vetoing it.

Now they will argue about who most loves the middle class, each boasting of his own role in this stale piece of political bamboozlement as evidence of statesmanship.

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> Wake and look, gentlemen. There's trouble out here. People sleeping in the streets. Terrorists killing for fun, money and revenge in filthy, ruined cities, Millions with no medicine, no doctor. The

desperate young are ahandoning helpless, hopeless Granny. Some indignation must he voiced, some conviction about public morality expressed, some princi-ples articulated. "Electability" is a shahhy substitute for the passion that hates seeing the old county poorhouse revived as a dog track.

At Oscars, 'Lambs' Comes In Like a Lion By Carla Hall Washington Pest Service

OS ANGELES - "The Silence of the L OS ANGELES - "The Surface of the Lambs" swept the Oscars, taking the awards for best picture, best director, best actor best actress and best adapted

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screenplay. "I'm literally in a state of shock." said the director Jonathan Demme hackstage. The thriller starred Anthony Hopkins as the hrilliant cannibal murderer Hannibal Lecter and Jodie Foster as the young FBI agent who seeks his help in capturing a serial killer.

"It's hard to digest," Demme said of the awards. "No pun intended." he added. Asked if the film's sweep speaks well for the horror genre. Foster said. "I don't think this fits into the horror genre at all -I think this is a pretty heavy-duty psychological drama. It says a lot for dramatic movies. There's not a comic moment in it."

Jack Palance won the Academy Award as best supporting actor in "City Slickers," and he wanted to make sure he didn't leave the impression he was on his last legs. He did one-handed push-ups to enthusiastic applause.

Mercedes Ruchl walked away with the best supporting actress award for her work as the warm-hearted video store owner in "The Fisher King." The category was one of several in which the field was seen as fairly wide open.

Gahriele Salvatores' "Mediterraneo"

won best foreign language film. The art designer Dennis Gassner and the set director Nancy Haigh won for "Bugsy." which also won the award for costume design. "Terminator 2: Judgment Day" took four Oscars, for sound, sound effects editing, makeup and visual effects. The best picture nominee "JFK" took awards for editing and cinematography. The "JFK" film editors Joe Hutshing and Pietro Scalia commended the director Oliver Stone for giving them freedom. "Oliver stayed away from the [editing] room." said Scalia. "He said, "Break the rules on this one," said Hutshing. ne," said Hutshing. Callie Khouri won best original screen-

play for her spirited and groundhreaking script for "Thelma & Louise," the story of two women on the run. "Geena and Susan, I think you've made

the world a better place." said Khouri, thanking the lead actresses of the film, Geena Davis and Susan Sarandon. Asked if the film indicates more strong female roles to come, Khouri said, "It certainly looks that way — I hope it is. I plan on writing a few. I think that Hollywood is not only ready hut willing and ahle." The film's reputation as a feminist work. Khouri said, may have attracted people to the theater, hut "I think a lot of it was unwarranted in terms of its criticism --- I don't think it was male bashing or anything like that,"

As anticipated, a couple of hundred gay rights activists demonstrated across the street from the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion, where the annual awards ceremony was being held, but the event was uninter-

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rupted. The Associated Press reported that 10 people were arrested, including two prolesters who threw objects at the red-carpeted entrance, and five who refused police orders to move from an intersection. The protesters objected to portrayals in

three Oscar-nominated films: a gay serial killer in "The Silence of the Lambs"; a gay man accused of conspiracy in President Kennedy's assassination in "JFK"; the "de-leshianizing" from the original novel of two companions in "Fried Green To-

Asked how he felt about the gay activ-ists outside, Demme said, "I think there is great cause for anger from the gay population of this country. I think it's the responsibility of filmmakers to have a much broader range of characters."

Foster responded to the same question with, "Well, I think protest is good, it's in

your skin."

hero hut as "an extraordinarily compelling character. This is one of the great creations of 20th-century literature, We're all fasci-

her work in "Lost in Yonkers," said she had "secreted on my person" a green scar-ah as a good luck charm. She joked about ah as a good nick chain. She joken about putting the Oscar on a string around her neck. "I had some expectation but I hope I didn't look too prepared," Ruehl said about winning. "You spend 30 years pre-paring for this speech and then they give you 30 seconds," said Ruehl, who wore a hlack halter dress by Valentino.

Speaking of good luck, Palance said, "I heard a rumor that if you win an Oscar you've got it made. Now all 1 need is you've got it made. Now an I need is another job — then I've really got it made." The 72-year-old actor, ruddy-faced and silver-haired, was nominated twice before, once for "Shane" in 1953. Palance said the award would have meant more 40 years ago. "I probably would have tried more things in the film business. It's nice now — but then it would have been

one of the most controversial categories this year for its well-known omissions such this year for its well-known omissions such as "Paris Is Burning," "35 Up" and "Hearts of Darkness — was "In the Shad-ow of the Stars," a look at the members of the San Francisco Opera chorus. Allie Light and Irving Saraf were the winning meducation and the Light said of producers. Backstage, Allie Light said of the documentary feature brouhaha, "If I was very good at promoting ourselves, I would say this is good - no one has paid much attention to documentary filmmaking before."

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the Constitution, it's not against the law." Asked if this second Oscar (her first was for her 1982 performance in "The Ac-cused") was an embarrassment of riches. Foster cried "No way!" Demme was defi-nite about one thing: "I want to make a sequel to "Silence of the Lambs' so bad." Of the original book, Demme said, "Thomas Harris's characters get under

Demme said he didn't see Lecter as a nated with evil."

Ruchl, who has already won a Tony for

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cheoratet cuta rata bocuse "met-plicably" missing when he arrived at work Tuesday. Later, a group of Lyonnais chefs claimed authorship of the deed and said they would return the figure only "under the ress." "Paul Bocuse has no business in a Paris museum . . . he should stay in Lyon," said Gerard Nandron, their spokesman. Bocuse, the flamboyant owner of a three star establishment in Collonges an. Mont-d'Or, near Lyon, carlier Monted Or, near syon, same blamed the disappearance on "jcal-ousy." He did not elaborate. The wax-museum chef had been part of a display, ostensibly serving truffe a cuspity, containing outing unite soup to the effigies of a group in-cluding Catherine Deneuve and former French President Valey. Giscard d'Estaing.

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A famous image of William Shakespeare - the cagraving on the first edition of his collected works — was based ou a 1588 por-trait of Queen Elizabeth I, a com-puter expert has concluded. "With this, it's so perfect that there's no doubt. You could take the mopor-traits, scale them to the same size, on a Xerox machine and lay them on a Xerox machine and lay dama on top of each other and see for yourself," Lillian Schwarz said. "Absolute garbage," said Paul Be-tram of Rutgers University, who has written studies of Shakespeare's portraits.

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Π Alberto Zedda, conductor, musicologist and a specialist in the op-eras of Rossini, was named artistic director of Milan's Teatro alla Scala Tuesday. Zedda, 64, succeeds Cesare Mazzonis in the post at Italy's most prestigious opera house, where he will form a team with ÷... Riccardo Muti, the music director.

Π A fifth-grade class at Central Avenue Elementary School of Lancaster, New York, wrote to celebrities. asking for favorite recipes for 8-4 cookbook. Steren Spielberg's mat-zos and Elizabeth Taylor's spicy. chicken are in the 80-page book asis New York Governor Mario Caois New Fork Governor John Can-mo's version of Long Island blue-fish, Marv Levy, coach of the Buf-falo Bills, replied, but not with a recipe. "I would not recommend-that anyone cat a dish I prepared."

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